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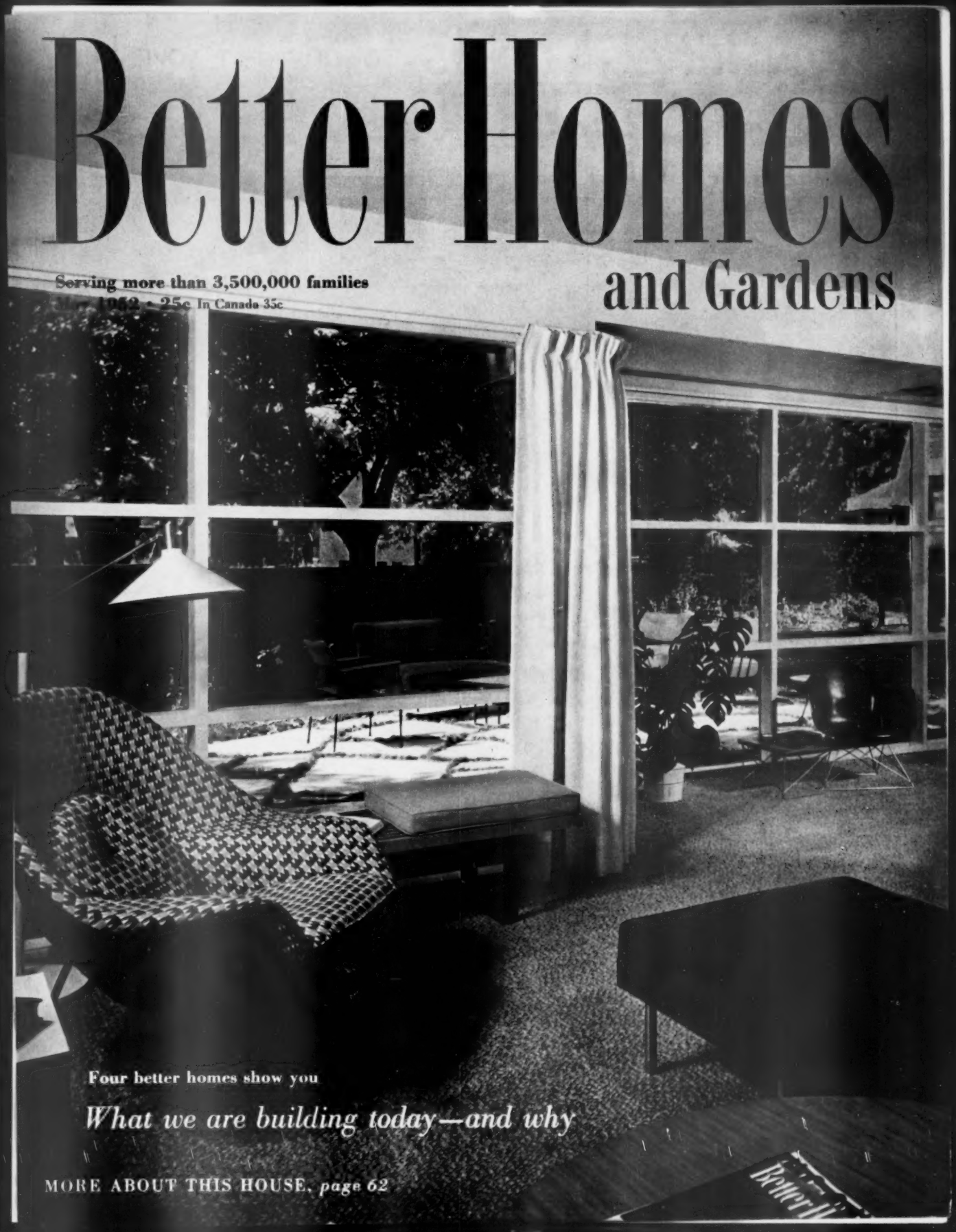

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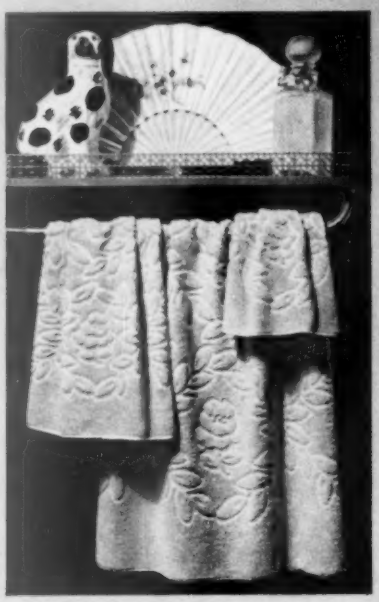

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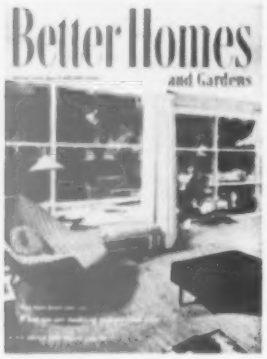

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Then, why does she wonder—

What became of the man I married?

By Marjorie Holmes

There is one luxury that any man, rich or poor, could give his wife. It is absolutely free, it costs him nothing, and it is, curiously enough, the one thing that his wife wants more than anything under heaven. Furthermore, it is something that has a great deal to do with keeping his marriage permanent and happy. Yet, by some perverse force of fate, it is the one thing that the average American male puts the least stock in.

Now the average American husband has a great many virtues, so let's list them first. He is, in the main, a good provider. He works faithfully and hard, is generous with his earnings, saves for the kids' education, and buys more insurance against illness, accident, old age, and his own demise than any man anywhere in the world.

He shows his true regard for his wife and children by plugging every crack that could possibly let the wolf slip inside the door. In a gathering of six couples the other night, the conversation veered to these matters, and it was revealed that every one of the six men who were present (the oldest among them 43) had for quite some time had their wills made out, and all data on their insurance, mortgages, and the like in such order that should anything happen to them, their wives wouldn't have one moment's worry and confusion. That, I maintain, is a grand testimonial for Mr. America.

What's more, Mr. American Husband is fundamentally loyal. Personally I am sick of magazine stories and radio serials about bosses and secretaries. Sick of the articles and columns exhorting wives to be more attractive, as antidote against such threats. Sick of the popular delusion that practically all men are philanderers at heart, ever in danger of being made off with by a pair of pretty legs.

True, the affairs of serial and story and the tabloid sheets do *happen*. But they happen so seldom as to be the subject of astonished gossip in any large concern when they do. And for every one that does, there are hundreds—yes, thousands—that don't. When the telephone rings and a husband sighs, "I won't be home for dinner, dear; I've got to stay down and work," 99 women out of 100 can rest assured that that's exactly the case. Her husband will not be dining at the Bellevue with a blonde, he will be right there grubbing at his desk in order to get that contract or that raise that will help pay off the house or salt away a few more bonds.

He can be counted on, not only because he's basically decent and fine, but also because he's simply too unromantic and staid to go to the trouble of kicking up his heels. Give him a comfortable home, a place to pursue his hobby, a wife who feeds him well, sympathizes with his problems, and takes good care of the children—and home is the one place he'd rather be than anywhere else. And, frankly, I don't think it matters too much whether his wife weighs 200 pounds or 110, because he doesn't bother to look at her, anyway. He's too busy reading the newspaper, or snoozing in his easy chair, or puttering about the basement, to notice or care whether or not the dream girl of his youth still wears that cute curl and is a svelte size 12. She's there with him, isn't she? And he's here with her. And that, to him, is proof positive of love. To live together loyally and uncritically. To accept each other, quite literally, for better or for worse.

For, to Mr. American Husband, love after marriage becomes an established fact. A fact so obvious that it need not be questioned or probed, shined up or displayed or made any fuss about. That this attitude is the direct opposite of every phase of courting days doesn't seem to bother him a bit. As Dorothy Dix once said, "When you've caught your streetcar, you don't go on chasing it." Relieved of the frantic need to rush after his heart's desire, he settles down to the serious business of her support, half the time not even suspecting that he's neglecting to support her in the region nearest and dearest to her soul—romantic love.

Yet romantic love is, to every normal woman who breathes, quite as important as material security and faithfulness. The examples of women who stick to no-account husbands are legion, but I remember one from my own childhood. There was in our town a woman whose husband worked spasmodically, to say the least, while she held down an excellent job in the telephone office. Yet their life together was the secret envy of many a better-cared-for woman. What little he did earn, he spent for [*Turn to page 9*

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Margaret Scott, Johnson's Wax Consumer Service

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For good advice on floor care, or any questions about the use of wax, write to Margaret Scott, Johnson's Wax Consumer Service, S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc., Racine, Wis.

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What became of the man I married?

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gifts and flowers. We never saw them leave the house together except arm in arm. She would suffer no word to be spoken against him, and when he finally died, she was inconsolable. I maintain that for all his faults—and they were many—he left her with happier memories of marriage than many a more stolid, respectable husband leaves his wife.

Romantic love is, in most cases, the reason a woman marries in the first place. What man ever won fair maiden by promising, "I will pay the bills on time and take out life insurance. I will hoe the garden and mend the screens and play baseball with our sons"? No, he pleads, "Darling, darling, you are so beautiful. I think of you day and night. I can't live without you. I want you forever in my arms."

She believes it. Wrapped in this shining cloak of utter adoration, she is swept ecstatically into marriage. But unlike the male of the species, she is not content to drop that cloak and start scrubbing the kitchen as all-sufficient proof of her corresponding passion. To her, planning meals and cleaning closets and getting up with babies at night *are* proof of devotion, proof indeed. But these duties and obligations seldom assume for her the same role that her husband's work does for him. Namely, become a substitute for ardor. To her, love does *not* become simply an established fact when two people join their lives. Love, to her, is a continuing emotional state.

The average woman is, I believe, love-conscious, love-anxious, love-aware, at least 60 percent of the time. Nature has designed her to be emotionally responsive, yielding, warm, sympathetic, and sensitive. For these are the qualities and emotions that make for motherhood, that go with its very equipment—the womb that shelters, the breast that nourishes, the arms that comfort and carry. And these emotions and qualities are also inevitably linked with a woman's major need and function, love. Not merely support love either, but romantic love. The kind of love that gives her emotional security as *well* as financial, that endows her with a vital and abiding faith in her own charm as a woman.

True, there are frigid women, mannish women, women who simply don't care. But even if a woman were not so by nature, she could scarcely escape the pressure that is brought upon her through every medium of advertising in this land. Every radio or television program which entertains her, every magazine she picks up, even every streetcar she rides, all urge her to greater poise, personality, and appeal. All urge her to dress more smartly, achieve more beauty, become a more enticing female—and hence enjoy romance. "Soft, white, romantic hands." "The skin you love to touch." "Hair that spells magic to a man." "This dainty allure, this lingering fragrance men love." Even those ads in the homemaking and cooking departments are fashioned with diabolical cleverness to pierce her most vulnerable spot: "The jam that rates an extra kiss!" "The range that keeps you cool and radiant for him." And as if that weren't enough, nearly every ad is illustrated by a handsome couple on the verge of, or actually in, an ecstatic clinch.

One of my first writing efforts was a short newspaper article in which I stated that the average American housewife has less to worry about in the matter of straying husbands than is generally supposed; that the most common cause of her unhappiness was not the other-woman question at all, but the question of why her husband was so indifferent at home.

That 'small article in a Midwestern newspaper brought as much mail as either of two novels written in years to come. Floods of letters from frustrated women poured in, every blessed one in fervent agreement, and all frantically begging some magic formula that would guarantee the return of a husband's ardor and attention as it was in dating days.

My own mate is, thank heaven, a shining exception to all this. But since that first article, I have talked with women from Texas to New York, from New Jersey to the coast, and have counseled via column, correspondence, and radio. And I have become convinced that this problem is the most common and most baffling cause of misery suffered by the American married woman. Not the most serious, perhaps, but the most widespread. While there are the usual exceptions, I believe that *most* wives want above all else in the world, to be to their men what they were before marriage—or at least to approach that happy state. That *most* wives feel secretly but abidingly disillusioned in marriage on that count.

Even admitting that they would not exchange their lot for any other, that they appreciate its countless blessings, they still regard the compliments and caresses of courtship, the many sweet attentions, as bait. Bait that men have used without guile or ill intent for generations, used with the full connivance and approval of nature and society, but bait, nonetheless, to lure the female into a deadly routine of housekeeping and child rearing, with all such romantic ingredients cheerfully abandoned at the door.

It goes without saying, of course, that women frequently bait the

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COMFORT CLINIC

If you love your home and the people in it

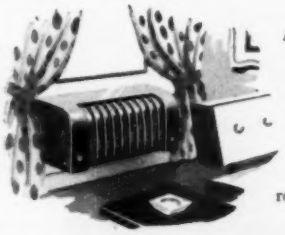
Keep your house smiling

ALL SUMMER LONG!

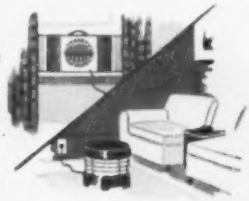
By Professor Walter Lyman Upson, *Consultant, Customer Service Bureau, Torrington Research Laboratory*

Hot, muggy, lifeless air is fine for a Turkish bath, but don't ask your family to live in it all Summer! There's absolutely no need of it! With modern air-moving units you can enjoy fresh, cool, invigorating air through the hottest days and nights.

Look at it this way: you've invested many hundreds of dollars for the comfort your heating plant brings; yet comfort-giving air-moving equipment costs little to buy, almost nothing to run. As an investment it actually figures out to only a few pennies per day—but it pays big dividends in health, vitality and solid comfort for the whole family. This Summer, *keep your house smiling* in these specific ways:



A *Room Air Conditioner* is a source of comfort all year 'round! In Summer, it delivers a steady, ample flow of cool, clean, properly humidified air—just right for health and comfort. At other times, for ventilation, just turn a control to get fresh, filtered air from outdoors into the room. Or use it to filter and circulate the air *in* the room to distribute heat more uniformly.



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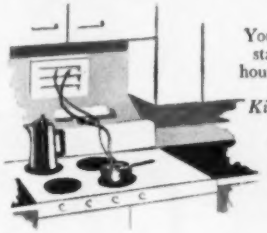

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Here are the newest

Fashion trends

Low-cost furnishings adapt high-style details. Here's a break for those of us who are budget-minded (and who isn't?). For instance, the use of fiber on these chairs. It's the same kind of thing that was once used to make baby carriages. Now it's on the budget pieces

Photographs: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

Cane texture for contemporary pieces. Basketry accessories have long been popular in Modern homes. The open weave, color, and texture seem to blend right in and add warmth to functional rooms. Now this idea is being used as trim on the most contemporary furniture

in home furnishings

Need another wall? Want to divide two rooms? You'll find "portable built-ins" like this one that screen and divide a room, but are open enough to still give a feeling of spaciousness to the smallest room

French Provincial will be on the market in abundance this year. You'll find it in all price ranges and in a variety of fruit woods, which means there will be a wide range of colors available. For authenticity, combine several different tones of wood and styles in the room

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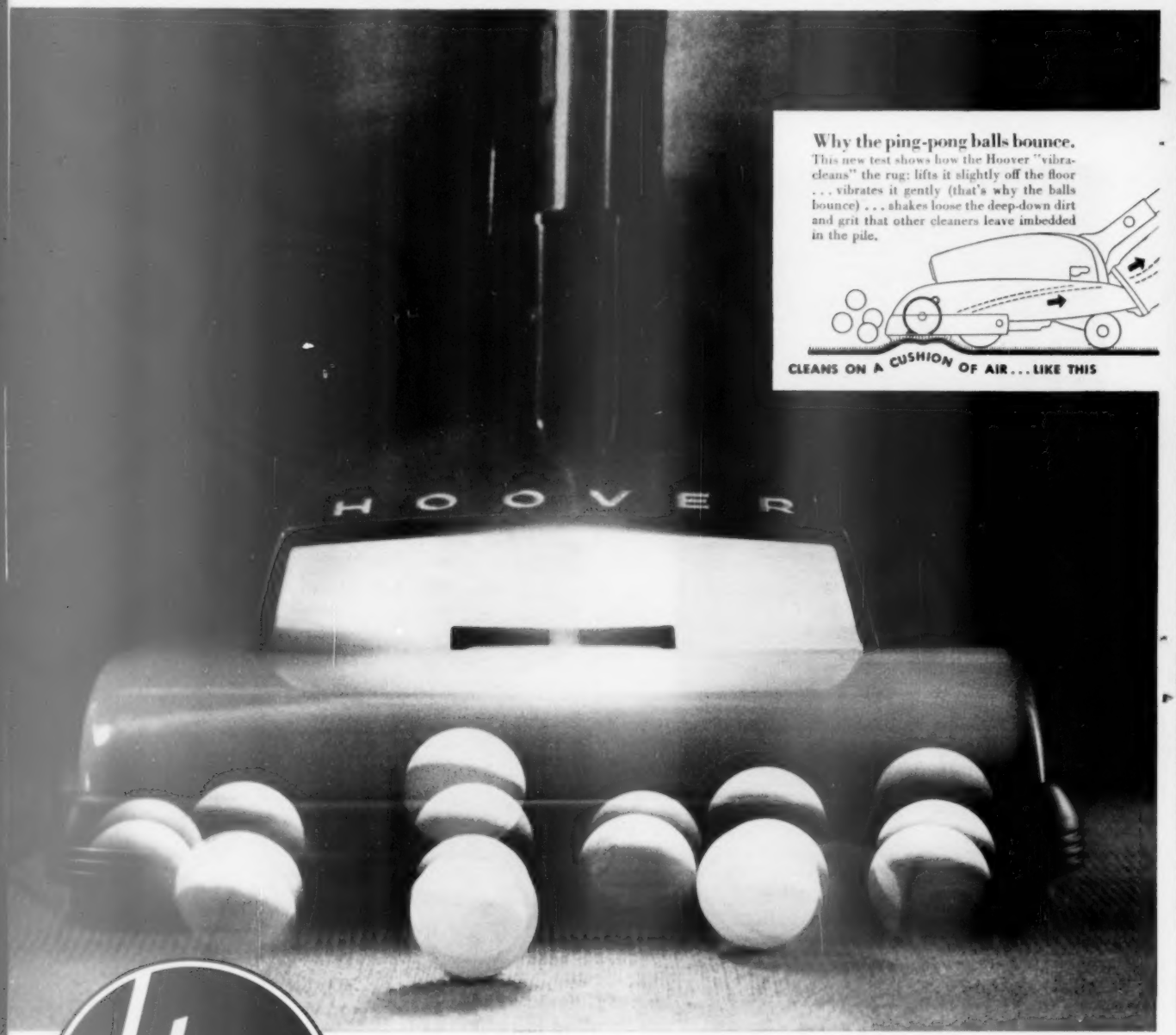

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Trends in home furnishings

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Metal comes indoors. No longer is it used just on the porch. The furniture has an open look; keeps a small room from looking cluttered

Casters for big pieces. No more pushing and straining on cleaning day. Here, as on many pieces, the casters are hidden behind the finished base construction of furniture. Makes moving them about a cinch

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Trends in home furnishings

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Space and budget have made stacking and combination units even more popular. Some of this furniture can be used in the living room, dining room, or bedroom. The unit shown here, for instance, combines four different sections. The sections could be shifted into as many combinations to fit your individual needs; other sections added later

The same principle applies to this bedroom furniture. Used separately, you have an attractive twin-bed bedroom. It's designed for today's smaller homes and especially for use in children's rooms

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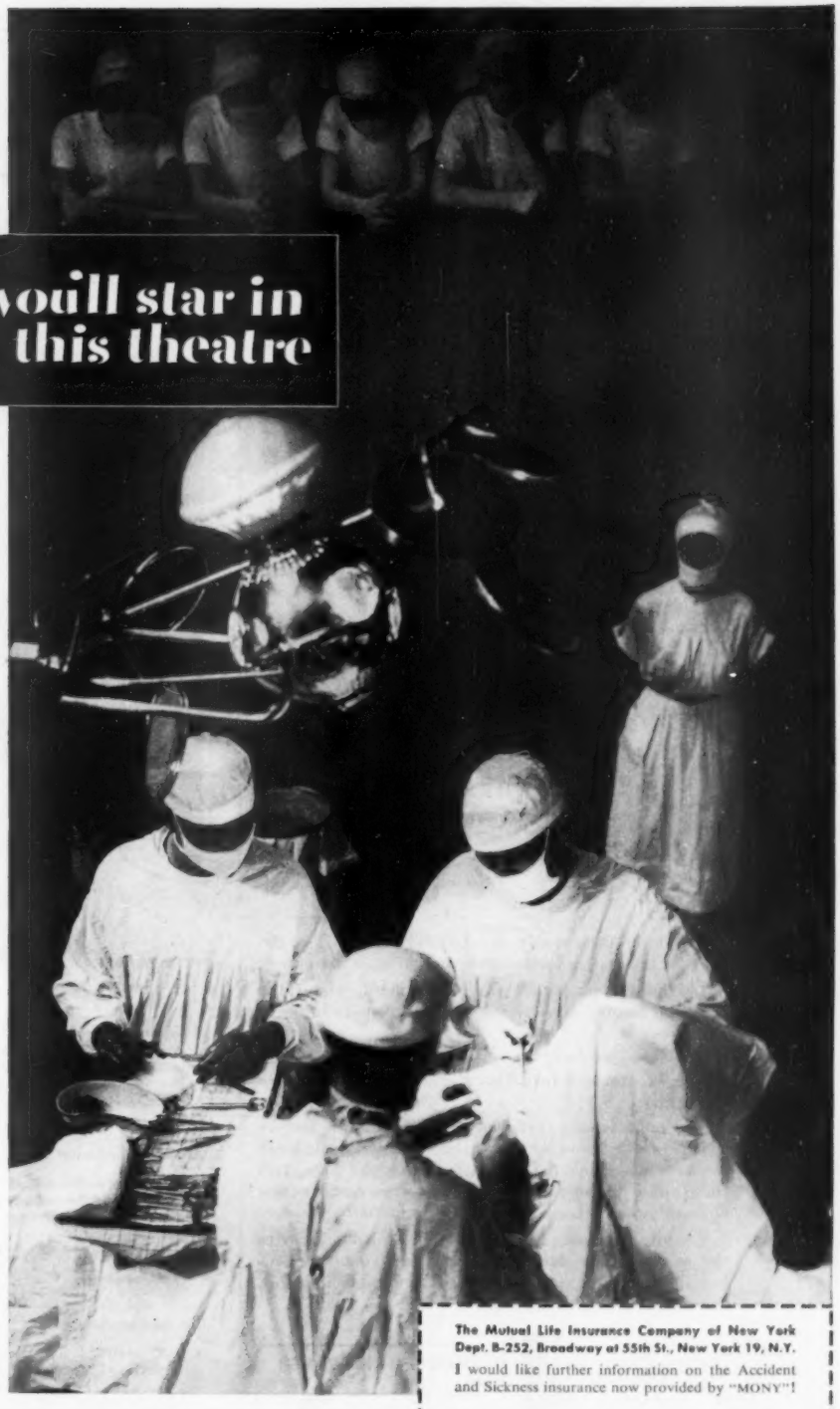

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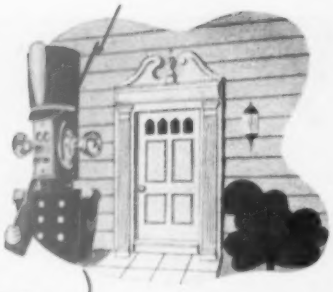

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By Ann Usher

Mother's Day and Father's Day are just ahead on the calendar. For these and other big occasions, nothing will give your children more satisfaction than making your gifts themselves. They'll probably need your help in assembling the materials and will have to be shown what to do. But you'll be surprised at the talents your youngsters will uncover, and they'll have the thrill of creating something useful.

Here are six gifts that boys and girls of different ages can make easily, according to Jane Spieker, occupational therapist, who has worked with small patients at leading children's hospitals. The materials are inexpensive—to fit junior allowances.

Stenciled ties for Dad, Grandpa, Uncle

Stenciling can be done by most 10-year-olds, sometimes younger. The cutout design keeps colors within bounds. Your child can go on to decorate tablecloths, napkins, dresses

Materials needed

- Plain cotton or cotton-and-rayon necktie
- Stencil board or thin cardboard
- Stencil paints and brush (from stationery store)
- Pencil, scissors, sharp knife or razor blade in holder
- Pad of newspapers

To make:

1 Trace around front of tie on stencil board, to get shape and size of tie. Cut out. Then sketch a design on stencil board, and cut out design with sharp knife or a razor blade in a blade holder. Draw or trace any design you wish. Keep it simple and right size for object you're decorating. To separate colors, leave portions of stencil board as dividers between sections. To keep stencil rigid, allow little bridges of uncut stencil to hold design together.

2 Snip stitching on back of tie, to open up as far as design is to go. Fold back interlining, and lay tie front flat on a table padded with several thicknesses of newspaper.

3 Place stencil board over tie, pinning in place on tie front with straight pins. Stick pins straight down, into pad of newspapers.

4 Apply stencil paint on tie, through the cutout design in stencil board. Use a very stiff brush, and a very small amount of stencil paint. Brush should be nearly dry. Apply paint with a steady, up-and-down stippling motion, tapping paint on rather than brushing.

5 Allow tie to dry, then press with a hot iron on both front and back.

6 Sew the back seam up again.

Bulletin board for Mother, brother, or sister

Even 8-year-olds can paint and put this bulletin board together. If sections are painted in contrasting colors, design on the border can be omitted

Photographs: Hopkins

Materials needed

- 1 piece fiberboard (sometimes called corn board) 18"x24"
- 1 piece beaverboard, 24"x30" (These can be purchased at local lumberyard. Have them cut to size)
- 2 colors of paint—can be either flat or enamel—might use leftover paint
- 2 paintbrushes—one flat 1½"-wide brush, and one small artist's round brush
- Wire brads—⅝" long—and hammer
- 1 small piece of stencil board, or thin cardboard, 3"x6"
- Sharp knife or razor blade in holder; pencil; chalk
- 2 cup hooks; length of picture wire

To make:

1 With 1½" brush, paint top and sides of fiberboard and beaverboard. It isn't necessary to paint the center of the beaverboard, as it will be covered by the fiberboard. A 4" border is enough. Allow to dry thoroughly (overnight).

2 Lay fiberboard, painted side down, on table. Place beaverboard, painted side down, over fiberboard. Measure in 3 inches all around beaverboard, to get fiberboard placed right. Holding fiberboard in place, hammer in brads from back through beaverboard into edges and center of fiberboard.

To decorate:

3 Sketch a design for a border on stencil board; cut out design with knife or razor blade in holder.

4 Trace design on beaverboard with pencil or chalk.

5 Paint design in second color.

6 Insert cup hooks into back of bulletin board, 8 inches in from each side, and 6 inches from top. Twist picture wire through hooks.

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Budget ways with big windows

By Bertha Harris

Big windows require yards more fabric—but that won't mean dollars more from your pocket. You can stitch your own curtains from fabrics you can afford.

Consider simple cottons: denim, colored sheeting, unbleached muslin. Maybe you have overlooked them as practical, attractive materials for draperies. But they are good-quality, long-wearing fabrics, even though the price per yard is low.

Judge them for appropriateness with your other furnishings. Use muslin or plaid gingham with Early American or Provincial. Denim or sheeting lend low-cost drama to a Modern setting.

And when you sew, make it easy for yourself: Simple fabrics are smartest when you treat them simply. Here are seven ideas to start you thinking:

Overall-blue denim is dramatic against white walls. Along edge of drapery, sew four-inch band of blue-striped sheeting. Make loops of same fabric to slide over brilliant yellow pole. To get fullness, make small pleats where the loops are attached

Use colored sheeting—yards and yards of it—on a wall that's all glass. Sew two colors together and pleat them on a traverse rod. You can launder the curtains and hang them back without ironing, if you have a dryer. The slight crinkle you get adds interest to the plain fabric

Drawings: Mardy Allen

Ruffle plaid gingham for a Provincial dining room. Valance and draw draperies, both, are frosted with a two-inch banding of crisp white organdy, folded double. To gain privacy in a room that looks out on the street, hang an organdy sash curtain from rings sliding on rod

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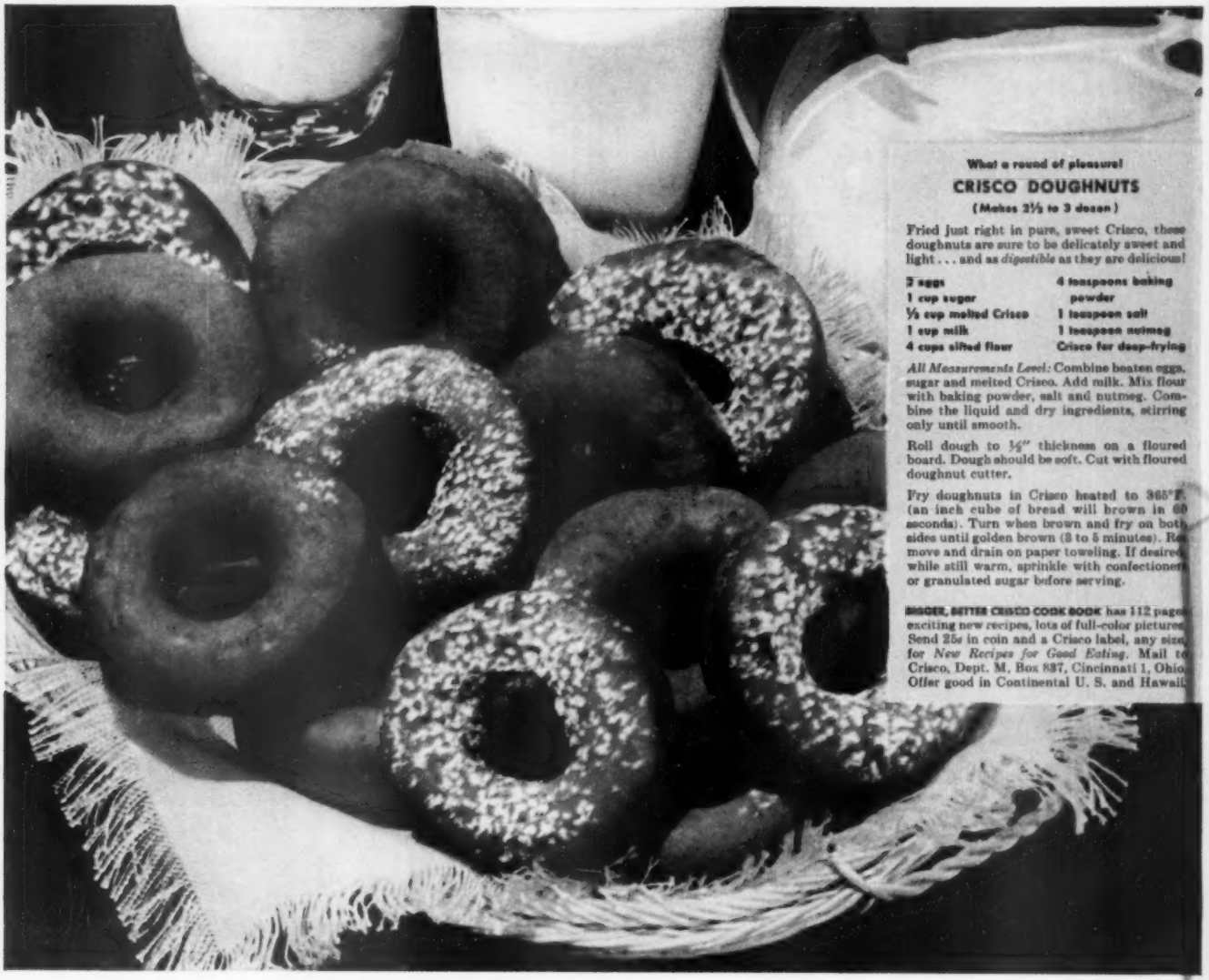

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Budget ways with big windows

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Try unbleached muslin to filter brilliant sunlight. It can't fade, and the creamy-white looks cool when sun streams through it. Hang curtains in tiers, full enough so you can draw them across window at night. Edge with small-patterned chintz, to match the slipcover on chair

Candy-striped sheeting, with trim of matching cotton ball fringe, is piquant dressing for a dormer window in bedroom. Pick a pastel-and-white stripe to go with other colors in your room: pink, blue, green, or gray. Shirr on curtain rod, and hem to apron length. Tied high, with no crisscross, they'll admit more air

Swag of frothy tarlatan won't blow out the window. You can't wash it—but you don't have to hem it, either. It's quick and gay for summer: just anchor it to curtain rod with ribbon ties. Control light with colored window shades; for whimsy, exchange shade pulls for ribbon bows

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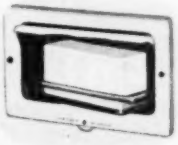

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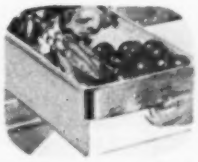

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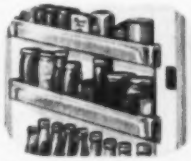

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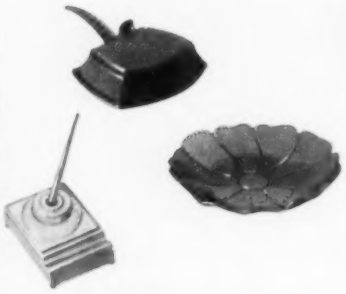

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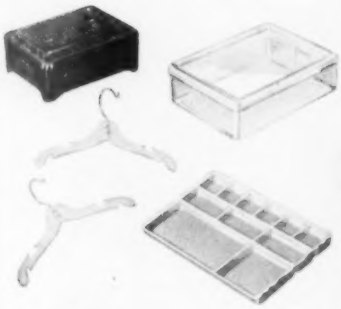

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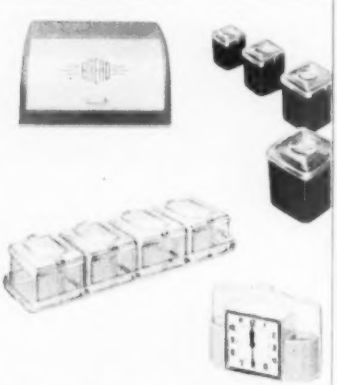

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Attic ideas you can use

By Susan Jones Medlock

Probably the two biggest problems confronting you when you refinish your attic or second floor are windows and the chimney. Windows already there are too small to let in much light or ventilation. The chimney, through necessity, rises abruptly at one end of the room.

Here's the way Architect Henry Norris solved the problems for the J. G. Etheridge home, Atlanta, Georgia. James Edwards was the decorator.

No "peep hole" dormers here. Picture window extends across entire south wall, following contour of the roof. Three top sections are of solid plate glass, while the louvers, also of plate glass, provide ventilation. The window gives the room a feeling of spaciousness

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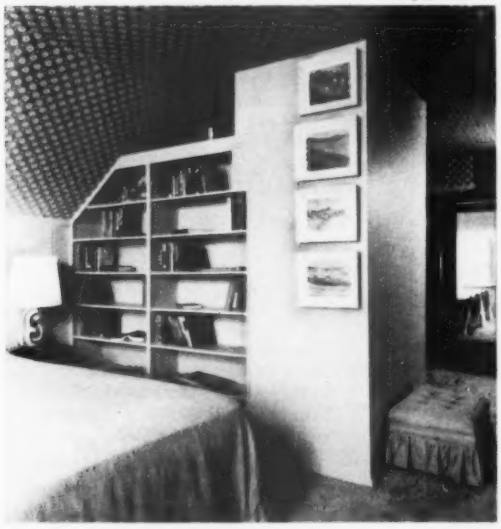

The chimney becomes part of a wall. It is encased and "connected" to side wall by building bookshelves to follow the line of the roof. Notice how the same wallpaper pattern is used on the sloping walls and the ceiling. This helps to minimize the odd shape of the room

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Do your trees look like this?

Don't let redcedar-apple rust mar your redcedars or junipers, move on to infect haws and apples. Here's how it looks, how to break the cycle

Ever get caught in a "vicious circle"?

If you have upright junipers or redcedars growing around your home—with apple trees, flowering crabs, hawthorns, or related kinds nearby—you know what we mean.

Redcedar rust diseases are caused by fungi that need the two kinds of plants to live. Of the three different types of the rust—redcedar-apple rust, hawthorn rust, and quince rust—the first is most common, and occurs over three-fourths of the country with the exception of the Deep South and Far West. It's more severe when "host" plants are planted closely; and worse following wet springs.

Hawthorn rust is less common on apples. "Galls" on junipers (see upper right) are less than an inch in diameter. Quince rust, found on junipers, quince, and fruit of hawthorns, June-berry, and apples, causes slight swellings on juniper branches and sometimes on main trunk. Spore masses break through bark.

Life cycle of redcedar-apple rust is about 2 years: 18 to 20 months on junipers or cedars, then 4 to 6 months on apples or haws.

You'll recognize cedar-apple rust disease on your junipers by chocolate-colored, kidney-shaped growths, sometimes mistaken for cedar fruits. They vary in size.

It takes about 18 months for the galls to reach the stage when gelatinous, [*Turn to page 27*

Brown "galls" on your junipers . . .

break open and release spores . . .

that infect haw and apple leaves

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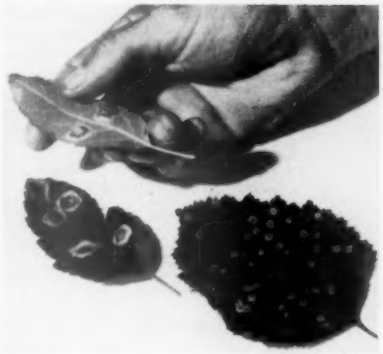

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If you have only a few small junipers, hand-pick galls in April and May and destroy them before they burst open and discharge millions of spores

For how to control cedar-apple rust disease with sprays, see page 27

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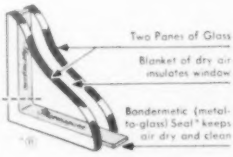

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Do your trees look like this?

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orange-yellow projections appear. These "horns" discharge enormous amounts of spores that are carried by wind and insects to leaves of apples and haw.

Yellow or orange spots soon develop on infected leaves and may be ½ inch in diameter by July and August. The leaf thickens, and bulges show up underneath the leaves. The bulges become cuplike with fuzzy fringes. Spores from these leaf spots then infect, or reinfect, needles of junipers.

Infection signs on junipers show up in July the following year as tiny galls. By the next spring (the second since the infection took place), the galls are ready to send out spores which reinfect hawthorn or apple leaves.

Timely, thorough spraying controls cedar rust

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To control rust, poison must coat foliage of haws, apples, crabs before spores arrive from junipers. Spray with fungicide containing 76 percent ferbam — follow label directions. Spray 6 times at 7- to 10-day intervals, the first time before it rains after leaves emerge

Stanley

To kill spores, spray junipers as soon as galls break into jellylike masses — watch closely after May 1. Spray with wettable sulfur. To prevent infection from apples and haws, spray junipers with wettable sulfur, starting July 15. Spray 4 times at 3- to 4-week intervals

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By Dr. R. Milton Carleton

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- damping-off of seedlings
- mildew on lilacs and zinnias
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- Dutch elm disease
- oak wilt
- maple dieback
- fire blight on apples

A well-known fungicide—Phygon—used in a new way, promises to wipe out the threat of crop-destroying diseases caused by fungi.

Although a great many further tests must be run, early findings indicate that the discovery may be a long-awaited answer to many common garden troubles—those that stem from fungi. The new formulation, when it comes, will have no effect on diseases caused by bacteria and viruses.

The start of the discovery was made when a few cents' worth of Phygon, dissolved in alcohol, was found to check stem rust damage on wheat. Wheat stem rust is the greatest single hurdle in producing our leading basic food.

Results of the first successful test held such possibilities that scientists duplicated this first experiment in more than 30 other research centers from Wisconsin to Mexico.

Early conclusions are that if the new control will do the job against wheat stem rust, then crown rust of oats, an equally destructive disease, also may be vulnerable. If further testing bears out the early promise, the discovery has, in effect, added millions of acres to the world's productive land.

Of immediate interest to the home gardener is the implied promise that the new compound will control many of the fungus troubles that now blight plants around his home.

Limited tests indicate that late blight that attacks tomatoes and potatoes can be stopped without damage to the plants. Equally important, the plants seem to increase their natural resistance so they become immune to further attack.

The discovery, apparently, is a new principle of plant protection—increasing the natural "quinone" content of the plant. Quinones are the natural protective chemicals that enable plants to resist disease. The difference between a resistant and a susceptible plant variety may be the difference of one part per million in natural quinones.

In early tests, Phygon was dissolved in 180-proof grain alcohol. This solution is further greatly diluted with water to make the spray used on plants. As little as an ounce of Phygon protected an acre or more of wheat. Apparently the soluble quinone is absorbed through [*Turn to page 302*

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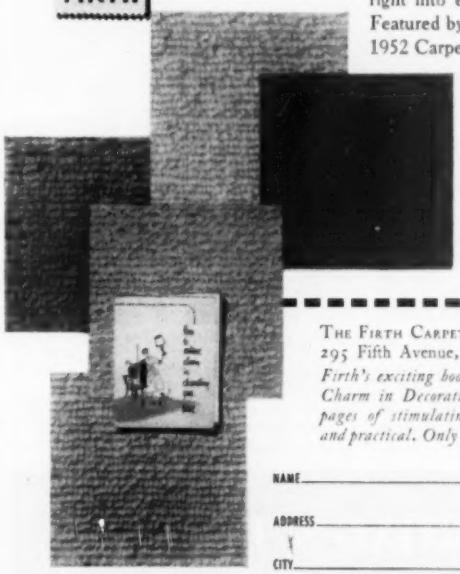

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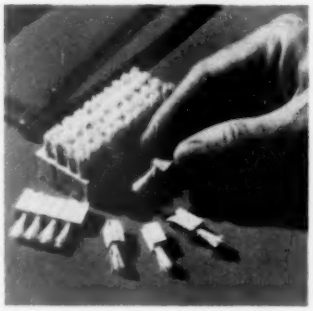


Brush off. So you want a cheap glue brush you can toss away when the job is done? You can get four dozen—if your sawing arm holds out—from one 10-cent fiber scrub brush from the variety store.

Cut with hack saw, unless you can swear there is no wire or nail in brush handle.

Bonus tip: Mix powdered glue in pie tin; snap out surplus after it hardens.

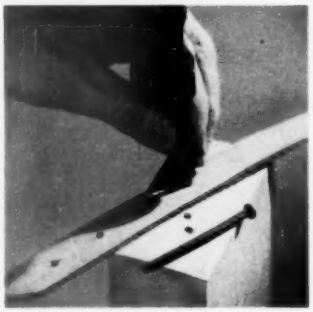
W. D. Foster
Belmont, California

No pipe dream. Ever wish you could invent a new tool when you struggled with cutting sheet-metal tubing—vent pipes, smoke pipes, or downspouts? Mama's got the answer in the kitchen.

Start your cut with a hack saw, then finish it with a simple pork-and-beans opener.

Flared edge you get may be a help when you join sections; or pound it down.

Hugh Lineback
Stillwater, Oklahoma



Hole problem. Nothing can look so ratty as an extra belt hole made with an ice pick.

If you don't have a leather punch, make one by grinding or filing off the point of a nail. Use the cushiony end grain of a chunk of 2x4 as backing.

It works on thin metal or soft plastic as well as leather.

Richard R. Kyl
Des Moines, Iowa

Hot stuff, kid. It's downright frustrating when a wire coil snaps in some heating element—either hot plate, heater, toaster, or iron.

Maybe—it's just maybe—you can be a hero and pull off a quick, costless repair.

Try hooking broken ends together; turn on juice, and drop a bit of powdered borax on joint. Loose connection causes hot spot; often borax acts as flux to weld the ends together in an emergency.

John Carter
Tokyo, Japan

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Find the "Radiator"—

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Examine this room as critically as you would if you were going to live in it. Now ask yourself, "Where are the radiators?"

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How-to for the handyman

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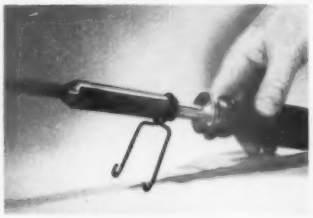
Washer doin', chum? When a drip starts, time for action is now—not tomorrow when you can get a right-sized washer at the store.

For a temporary (very) cure for a loose sink trap, cut a length of friction tape and roll it into a rope, with the sticky side out.

Jam into washer channel, until you can get the special washer to do the job right.

Carl R. Hedges
Fresno, California



Heat's on holdup. Getting nervous indigestion trying to figure out where to put down that hot soldering iron?

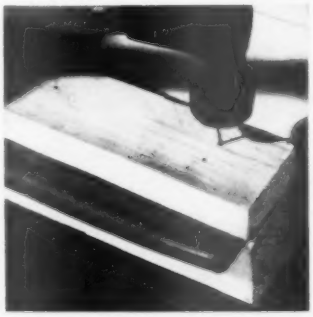
Avoid a most unmerry blaze with this simple holder that travels right along with you and the iron. It's twisted from coat-hanger wire.

Ken Murray
Colon, Michigan

Lack back rack? Here's still another quick and easy (no fooling) way to rack small tools on the wall at the rear of your workbench.

Use pipe straps, overlapped to save space and nail-pounding. Soft leather thong remains best choice for your keen-edged chisels.

Harry Becker
Enid, Oklahoma



Breezy does it. To seal a wide crack around a garage door, you have to tackle the weatherstripping problem in a much bigger way than usual.

Try folding strips of old inner tube, tacking them to a 2-inch wood strip, then nailing strip to door.

Make wood strip wider if necessary to by-pass metal parts. This type of barrier will block summer's bugs as well as winter's blasts.

H. M. Loomis
Houston, Texas

No screws loose. Surface hinges with exposed screws invite tampering.

But you can lock those screws in place. Use a small file to knock off sides of slot needed for unscrewing, as shown in picture at right.

You can drive screw, but if you've tussled with a burred slot, you know how tough removal would be.

Ralph Lanor
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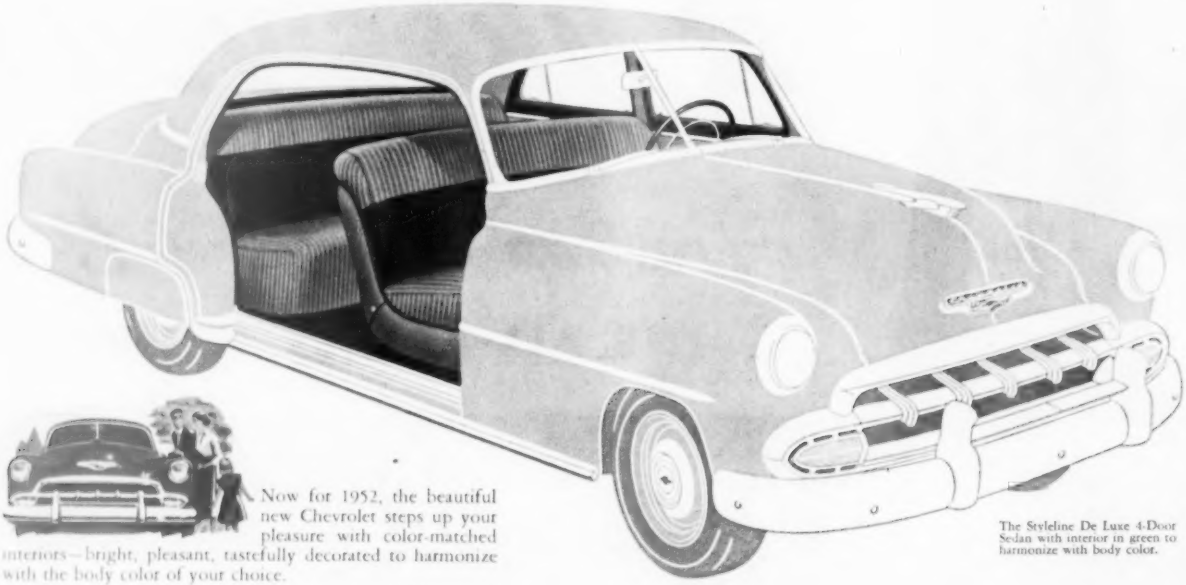

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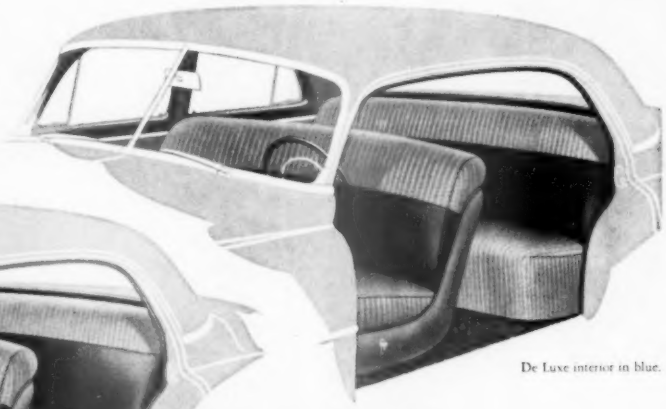
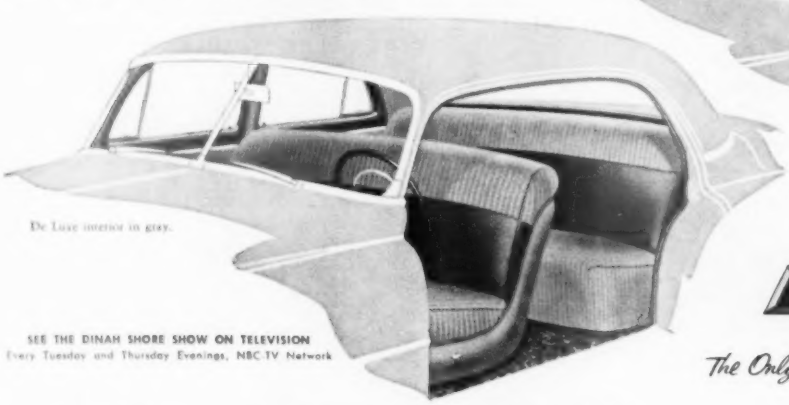


De Luxe interior in blue.



De Luxe interior in gray.

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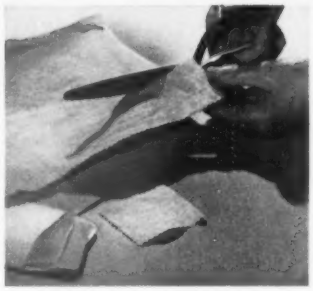
Nook the book. If you'll whip together a phone-book holder like this, you can silence once and for all the plaintive, oft-repeated query, "Where *is* it?"

You can make the holder to fit your numbers book, with front and back of inexpensive hardboard, sides and bottom of solid wood.

Make the bottom a little narrower than the sides for easy cleaning, don't get too snug a fit, and let the front be more than half the height of the directory.

Frank LaSalle
Chicago, Illinois



No soap. Next time you hit the high road, don't let the absence of washroom soap spoil your jaunt.

Before you embark, wet a piece of muslin, rub it on a bar of soap, and let it dry. Clip into 2-inch squares, and you have a supply of pre-soaped, miniature washcloths you can carry in an envelope.

Walter Burton
Akron, Ohio

On the ball. No disparagement intended, but (sh!) certain types of workshop steel wool *will* leave painful slivers in fingers that aren't protected.

You can either wrap your fingers in five yards of adhesive tape—or use this trick.

Here, wool is stuffed in half a hollow rubber ball you can buy or swipe from Junior.

Murray Engle
Detroit, Michigan

Bright bit advice. A dull, rusted auger bit can be brightened with a twist.

Wrap a wad of steel wool around it in a split length of garden hose; hold hose snug with one hand while you twist back and forth with the brace in the other hand.

A few turns, the bit is bright, and you can help keep it that way by wiping it with an oiled cloth after each use.

Jay Morton
Savannah, Georgia

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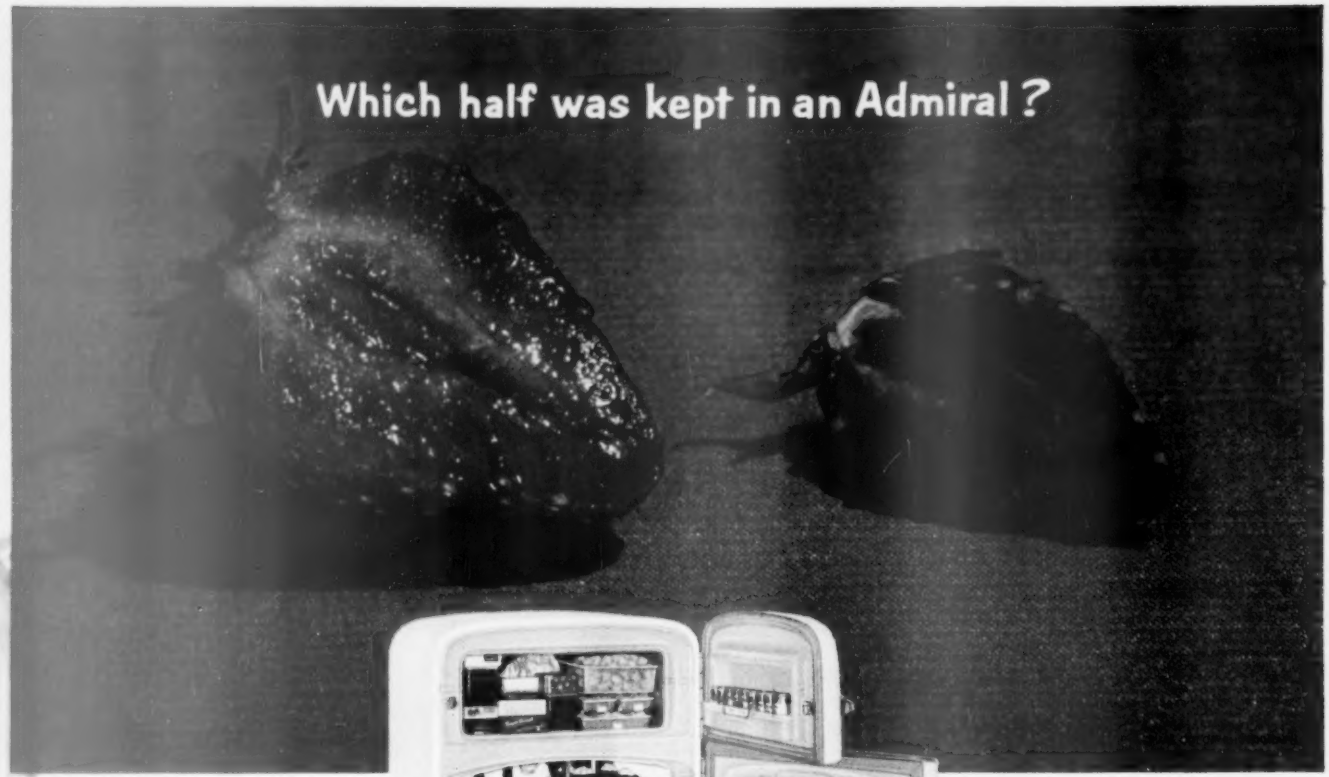

Actual color photograph of half a strawberry left uncovered for five days in an Admiral Dual-Temp. Moist-cold kept it fresh, appetizing, flavorful.

The other half of the same berry was left uncovered five days in an ordinary refrigerator. Note how it has dried out, leaving only seeds and tasteless pulp.

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How to grow gladiolus

Glads are always a favorite and are easy to grow. Just follow these pointers on planting and care

Any gladiolus bulb measuring more than 2 inches across is called a Jumbo bulb. All 2 inches and under are numbered sizes—1 through 6. Size 6 is the smallest, ½ inch across.

Taller and stronger stems with more florets to the stem come from the larger sizes. But varieties differ in the number of florets or individual flowers their bulbs produce.

Often a No. 2 size (diameter of 1¼ to 1½ inches) will produce nearly as many, and as large, florets as spring from a larger bulb. No. 3 and the smaller sizes commonly bloom a week or so later than Nos. 1 and 2, and with shorter spikes. See "Grow Plenty to Cut," page 72.

Photographs: Stanley

Dig furrows for your glad bulbs about 3 inches deep if your soil is medium to heavy. Increase depth to 5 inches only if the soil is a light, sandy loam. Press each bulb, point up, firmly in bottom of furrow. Space the bulbs 4 to 6 inches apart—give the larger bulbs the greater spacing in your rows

More on next page

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How to grow gladiolus

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Cover small sizes not over 3 inches. Make parallel furrows—out 3 to 4 inches—on each side of the planted row.

Put plant food in furrows, using 1 pint to each 25 feet of row—1 cupful on each side. Hoe or rake soil over furrow. Soak the entire area thoroughly.

Look for bloom from larger-size bulbs 60 to 90 days after you plant them. Elapsed time is less with bulbs that you plant later.

Use lindane, or a multipurpose insecticide containing 5 percent DDT, to dust or spray your plants.

This controls thrips, tiny insects which often ruin plants by chafing petal and leaf edges.

Coat leaves with poisonous dust or spray when plants are 6 inches tall. Repeat every 7 to 10 days until plants bloom.

Cultivate glads shallowly—never within 6 inches of them—weekly. Or, apply a 3-inch mulch around clumps and beside rows.

Start watering when the fourth leaf expands so you'll get the finest, largest spikes and flowers.

Make certain your gladiolus get the equivalent of a 1-inch rain weekly.

Apply water alongside your plants, taking care not to wash the soil from the roots and cause your plants to topple over.

Wind and rain may bend your tall glads to ground if you don't support them. Stretch heavy cord along each side of the rows to support short varieties.

For tallest kinds, thrust commercial supports or metal rods into soil 4 inches from base of plants.

Tie each spike to its support at two levels with soft cord or plant ties.

If spike breaks near tip, bind with clear, sticky tape.

See also "Dahlias—the ABC's of Growing Them," page 294.

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"GLASS" is a magic password to bathroom beauty, as demonstrated by this handsome, modern room with walls and ceiling of Carrara Structural Glass. Carrara is richly polished and reflective, its soft, mellow colors (10 of them to choose from) never fade or change, its surface never crazes or stains. Usually, Carrara Glass walls can be applied right over present walls. Plan a Carrara bath for *your* home. It will win your family's favor and the envy of your friends!

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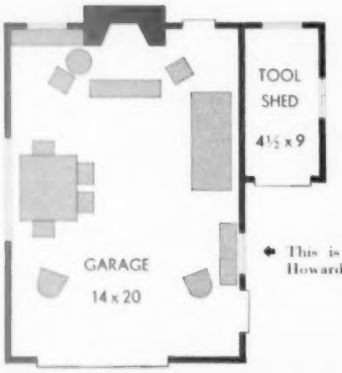
Found: more room for the family

Before you know it, it'll be "outdoor weather" time. Picture yourself with an entertaining spot like this one

By Polly Cramer

Leave the garage door up, and the outdoors and indoors seem as one. There's plenty of space for a big party. More fun for the entire family. You'll find yourself proudly saying to friends, "Come on over to our house—we've got plenty of room"



Space between the garage and house makes a fine terrace. This garage was built originally with the idea of using it for warm-weather entertaining.

In the winter, all you have to do is just push the furniture back against the right wall, and there's plenty of free space to bring your automobile inside out of the cold

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

← This is the recreation room-garage at the Howard Rapp home, near Cincinnati, Ohio

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Many's the time you've seen a grocer cut loaf-cheese in a slicing machine.

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More room for the family

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Latest Garden News?

By Dr. R. Milton Carleton

New apple from Missouri

An apple with tremendous appeal for the home gardener is the new Earli-Jondel, introduced this year by the Missouri Agricultural Experiment Station.

Combining the flavor of both, it is a cross between Jonathan and Golden Delicious, two of the world's finest dessert apples. Earli-Jondel is one of the most beautiful apples in existence, with a skin of brilliant red striped with carmine on a golden-yellow background. It ripens two to three weeks ahead of Jonathan. Trees are quite resistant to insects and diseases.

Budding stock has been distributed to nurseries in Missouri, but the station has no trees for sale.

Keep your shirt on!

Today it can't be had. But someday gardeners may be able to buy a shirt or clothing that repels insects.

Insect repellents at the laboratory of the Armed Forces in Orlando, Florida, have proved effective against ticks, flies, mosquitoes, gnats, and possibly chiggers.

The most-promising compound is called M-1960, and is composed of 2-butyl-ethyl-1; 3 propanediol, benzyl benzoate; and n-butyl acetanilide. An emulsifying agent is added so the mixture can be diluted with water for the treatment of cloth.

Here's one to think about

Traditionally, an oak is supposed to be a safer refuge during an electric storm than any other tree. Not so, says the Thunderstorm Census Organization of Great Britain.

According to records that go back 30 years, nearly half the deaths of people struck by lightning while under trees took place under oaks.

The elm takes second place as an unsafe shelter in stormy weather. Only one or two records exist of a beech tree being struck—it is practically immune to lightning injury.

African-violet growing hints

Experiments at Ohio State University show that African-violets grow and bloom best when the plants get 1,000 foot-candles of light for 12 hours per day. Plants grown at 70 degrees produced twice as many flowers as at 60 degrees, but with slight loss of quality. Eighty degrees gave more bloom, but of poorer quality.

Reduced to ABC language, these findings mean an unobstructed east window should provide good light if you stretch a thin glass curtain between your plants

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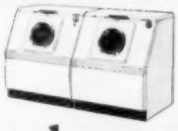

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and the glass on sunny days. Plants in a south window need two or three thicknesses when the sun is bright. Light through a west window needs to be filtered through two thicknesses in sunny weather. Growers who want to be accurate can check the best light with a photographer's light meter.

The tests also show that one feeding a month, to keep nitrates in the soil at 5 to 10 parts per million, gave best results. A "pH" or acid-alkali rating of 6.5 to 7 was found better than a more acid or alkaline soil.

This means a soil high in organic matter, plus a pinch of wood ashes or a teaspoonful of muriate of potash, should provide a good basic growing medium. Apply light doses of high-nitrogen plant food in liquid form at monthly intervals.

Low-down for rose growers

Roses that develop slowly on the plant take longer to open fully, which means they last longer as cut flowers. That's a fact pointed out by Dr. James Kamp of the University of Illinois.

Roses that bloom from shoots low on the plant take longer to develop than do those that come from higher up. This suggests that rose growers who like to exhibit in shows will do well to take their specimens from as low on the plant as possible.

Pot-plant poser

If you plan to use the new chemical Krilium to condition the soil in clay pots, be sure to treat the soil before you fill the pots, not after.

When experiments with Krilium at Cornell University were completed, researchers tried to knock the plants from the pots. They found they were cemented in as solidly as if they had been cast in concrete.

Krilium opens up tight soils by pulling together the fine clay particles to form grains of larger size. But when you apply it to soil in pots, the chemical combines just as effectively with clay particles half embedded in the porous clay. These are so tightly locked into the pot that it is all but impossible to knock out the root ball without breaking the pots.

Controls mildew on vine crops

Late reports indicate best control for mildew on melons, cucumbers, and other vine crops is Iscothan.

This new fungicide doesn't injure plants which are highly sensitive to some fungicides, particularly sulfur.

For fruit-tree pests

Department of Agriculture tests show that methoxychlor is the most effective safe insecticide for many fruit pests. For homeowners with only a few trees, it looks like the logical chemical to control codling moth, plum curculio, apple maggot, grape and cherry moths.

New hope for ants

Another method of fighting both insects and plant diseases may come out of the work at the California Experiment Station at Riverside.

Dr. Stanley E. Flanders has been raising ants to help farmers. The species he is cultivating feeds on insects and fungi. He hopes to raise enough to control invasions of crop-destroying pests of grains and fruits.

The paneled walls and built-in bookcases of this colorful room are of painted Douglas Fir, contrasting beautifully with the fireplace and floor covering.

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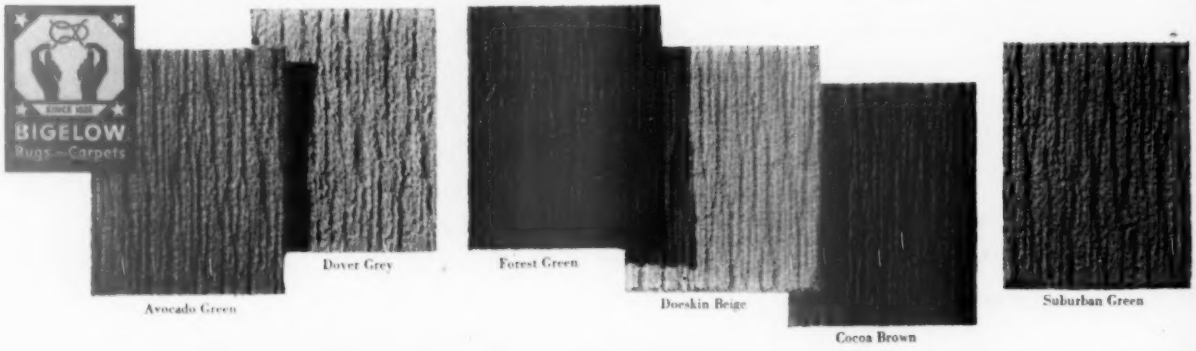

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Take a look at any hallway in your home. You may be able to give it distinction in no time at all by just adding a table and a wall lamp, or some useful bookshelves

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A Pembroke table with only one leaf up, turned this bare hallway in the Dale Grace home, Cincinnati, Ohio, into an attractive telephone corner. The telephone book is out of sight, but easily accessible, in the drawer. To light the corner and add a decorative note, a double student lamp is grouped with gilt-framed oval mirror on the side wall

Hence Griffith

Bookshelves in the hall? Of course. Look at this hallway in the H. P. White home, Dallas, Texas. The Whites made the simple shelves and added molding for a professional touch. Shelves are painted light green and lined with grayed pink. The shutters, hung from the top on screen hangers, can be lifted out easily when you want to clean the window

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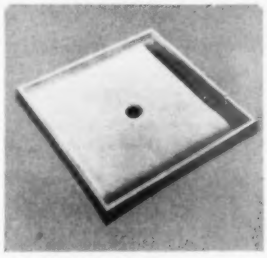

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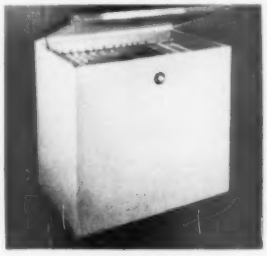

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Adjustable stool for the kitchen can be set at any height between 18 and 24 inches by just pressing the lever under the seat. Natural birchwood seat is slightly concave for comfort, and the light-looking but sturdy base has a heel-rest ring of aluminum-finished steel. Imported from Sweden. *Adjustable Kitchen Stool,* $21, plus shipping. Euster Associates, 104 East 28th St., New York 16, N.Y.

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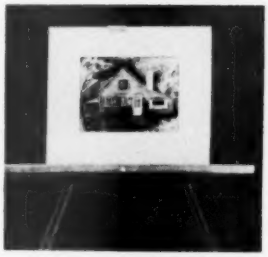

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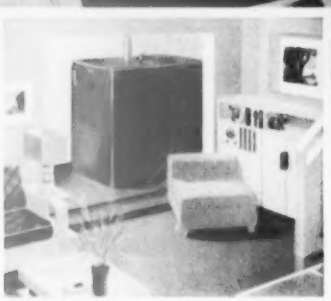

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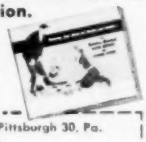

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What we are building today, and why

By John Normile

In the past five years, a new type of home has become the rule rather than the exception in America.

One cause is social. Our pattern of living has changed. Informality is the goal; we care less for impressing others and more for our own family's comforts. Today's homes reflect that change—unpretentious, yet organized and built so they almost run themselves.

The other cause is economic, whether the building budget is $5,000 or $50,000. It has become all-important to get the most possible house for a limited amount of money, to get full-time use from all of that house, and to make it seem as large as possible.

These pressures have given us a new type of home with very specific characteristics, demonstrated by the homes pictured at the right and described on pages that follow. Among these characteristics are:

1. Off-the-street living. Major rooms are placed so they face the privacy of a rear garden, readily accessible as extra living space.

2. Openness. To compensate for smaller size, outside walls are opened with large windows. Inside, unneeded partitions are eliminated, letting areas flow together. Room ceilings follow roof pitch for spaciousness.

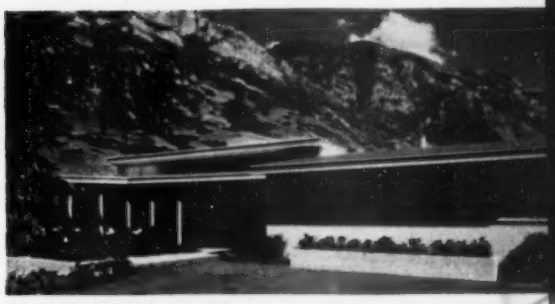
3. Simplification. For visual expansion and ease of maintenance, fussy ornamentation is discarded. Often such structural members as ceiling beams are exposed.

4. Natural finishes. The beauty of structural materials is emphasized. A basic color is used to tie rooms together, with variety in accent colors.

5. Built-in storage. For orderly living in minimum space, built-ins are engineered for specific jobs.

To see how it works in a new house, turn the page

Better Homes & Gardens chooses four better homes



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Walls, inside and out, are built of rough lava block. Design combines three roof lines—flat for carport, sloping for living area, gable for bedroom wing at right

A better home from PROVO, UTAH

Its open plan makes it seem big

There was a time when the builder of a small home sacrificed room size in order to have enough halls to make every room accessible.

Then high costs came along and forced builders to cut wasteful hall space down to a minimum. After all, they said, you don't really use halls, except to get from one place to another. All too often, the rooms themselves became passageways, and both privacy and room-arrangement freedom were lost.

The problem of halls vs. room size is still with us, but today's informal approach to home design is giving us solutions much more intelligent.

One such solution is pictured here. Designers M. Ephraim Hatch and Richard K. Hatch, brothers who work as a team to design and build homes, worked out a plan based on two parallel halls used in combination with partial room walls.

The front hall makes it possible to reach living room, kitchen, or bedroom wing directly from the front door. It isn't a conventional hall because walls separating it from dining room and [*Turn to page 61*

Photographs: de Gennaro

This hall parallels entrance hall, connecting living room with dining room, kitchen, and utility room. Glass at left is outside wall of these rooms. All glass is fixed, with ventilation provided through hinged doors near ceiling. Note slope of ceiling

Dimensions, 60'x49' including the carport wall. Floor area, is 1,488 square feet. Designers and builders, M. Ephraim Hatch and Richard K. Hatch. Owner, Albert G. Freestone

Sloping roof permits high windows to light entrance hall. Dining room is behind low, basket-weave wall at right; kitchen behind partial wall painted turquoise

Wall of windows at rear of house makes the most of mountain view and southern sun. Slotted overhang protects windows from summer heat without cutting off air circulation. Owners' bedroom, kitchen, and living room all have doors to yard

This is the owners' bedroom; note how the same colors are used throughout the house to unify it. Window wall looks toward the small garden house. Rough wall makes an interesting contrast with smoothness of glass and softness of fabric

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kitchen aren't much higher than a man's head. They provide privacy, but by stopping short of the ceiling they add much to the apparent size of the rooms beyond, as well as allowing good ventilation.

This front hall is also unusual because it isn't the dark passageway so commonly found in small homes. It's flooded with lots of daylight from a row of high clerestory windows, and from three large, opaque-glass panels set in the front wall and door. The partial walls allow much of this natural daylight to reach both dining room and kitchen.

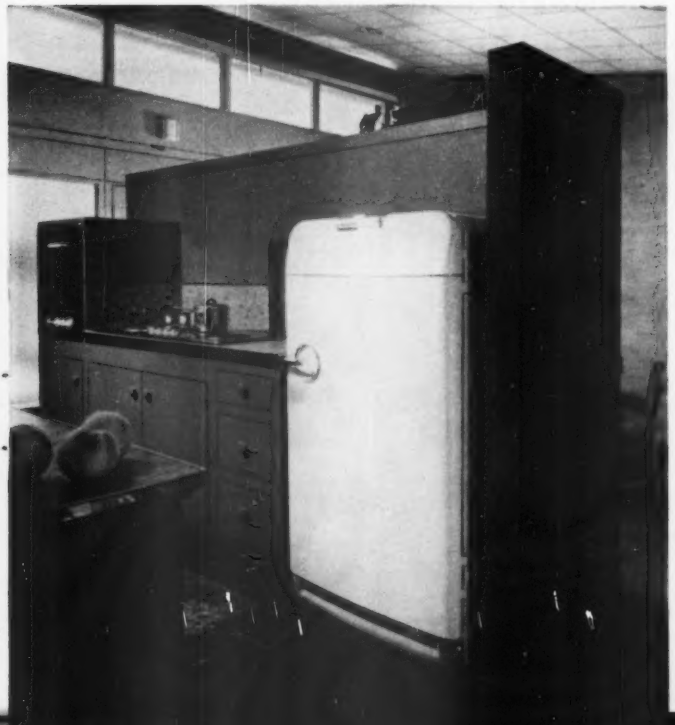
The second hall across the back of the house is even more unusual. It connects living room with dining room, kitchen, and utility room beyond. There are literally no walls to separate these rooms from the back hall. Actually, it is an open passageway across the end of each room, doing the hallway job without decreasing the size of the room by so much as a single inch.

Since the rear wall of the house is glass, the dining room, kitchen, and utility room look across the passageway and through large windows into the garden. This adds even more to the apparent size of these rooms.

And should you want to move outdoors, instead of just looking out, you can do so through any one of the three outside doors located on the garden side of the house.

Simple fireplace in living room is also built of lava blocks. Ledge to the left of fireplace holds redwood box filled with plants that can be enjoyed from either living room or dining room beyond the fireplace. Big windows overlook garden; glass door opens to terrace, sheltered by garden wall

Kitchen has only a partial wall between it and dining room: noise is deadened with acoustical tile on ceiling. At one end kitchen opens into entrance hall; at the other into back hall. Pass-through over counter simplifies serving to dining room



Dining room is separated from entrance hall by basket-weave wall at left, and from living room by back of fireplace. Buffet is built in. High clerestory windows in entrance hall also help light dining room and kitchen

A better home from DETROIT, MICHIGAN

It's engineered to speed home chores

Outside dimensions, 58⅓x52½. Square footage, 1,265. Designed and built by Richard B. Pollman Building Company, Detroit; Palmquist & Wright, architects. Decorated by J. L. Hudson Company

Times have changed, that's for sure. The era of inexpensive and available housekeeping help is scarcely a memory. Mother now shoulders the load of cleaning, cooking, laundering, ironing, sewing, shopping, and building character in the kids.

You'd think that when an idle hour arrived, she'd be content to rest. Far from it. Never has she been more vitally interested in her community, her recreations, her intellectual pursuits.

Something had to give. What gave is the obsolete notion that housekeeping must be endless drudgery.

So out went the frills and furbelows. In came structural materials, fabrics, and accessories that lighten the load of housework (see "A House That Lets You Take It Easy," April *Better Homes & Gardens*). And in came a relaxed, informal approach to house design that has as its golden goal streamlining housekeeping to a production-line efficiency.

Five Star Home No. 2205, pictured here, is an excellent demonstration of that principle. Take the kitchen-laundry-lavatory-carport area as an example. It provides facilities for the effortless running of the household.

For the daily business of meal planning, food preparation, and cleanup, there's a planning desk, ample space for all major appliances (including automatic dishwasher and garbage-disposal unit), a continuous electrical outlet strip to supply power for your counter-top appliances, and spacious cabinets engineered to store equipment right at the point of use.

The compact laundry is just a step away, separated from the kitchen only by the counter-top range and meal-planning desk. Automatic washer, dryer, and ironer line its walls in the order in which they are used.

Next to the laundry, and between it and the outside door leading to the carport, there's a handy [*Turn to page 65*

Front door is to the left of plant box, carport to the right. Four-foot fence widens house, hides play yard. Roof has slag surface. Siding is of 1x4 vertical boards

Seven-foot-high storage wall separates dining area from kitchen. Ceiling follows roof line to retain openness. Color furthers the illusion of space; note how bright yellow wall carries over from the kitchen. Smooth structural surfaces through house are relatively easy to keep dusted or scrubbed

Production-line efficiency is evident in view from kitchen into first-floor laundry (see plan). Doors to carport and lavatory are to the left of laundry beyond peninsula

A better home

A better home from DETROIT, MICHIGAN

It's engineered to speed home chores

continued

lavatory. As the kids come in begrimed from play, they clean up or are cleaned up before they are more than five feet inside the house. The washroom reduces traffic load on the bathroom in the bedroom side of the house, helping to keep it clean and presentable throughout the day for your own use and the use of your guests.

Good circulation also lightens your housework. With the main traffic lanes by-passing every room, as they do in this month's Five Star home, tracking up and general soiling tends to localize in hallways and entryways rather than in living, dining, or sleeping areas. You spend less energy cleaning smooth, hard-wearing floor coverings.

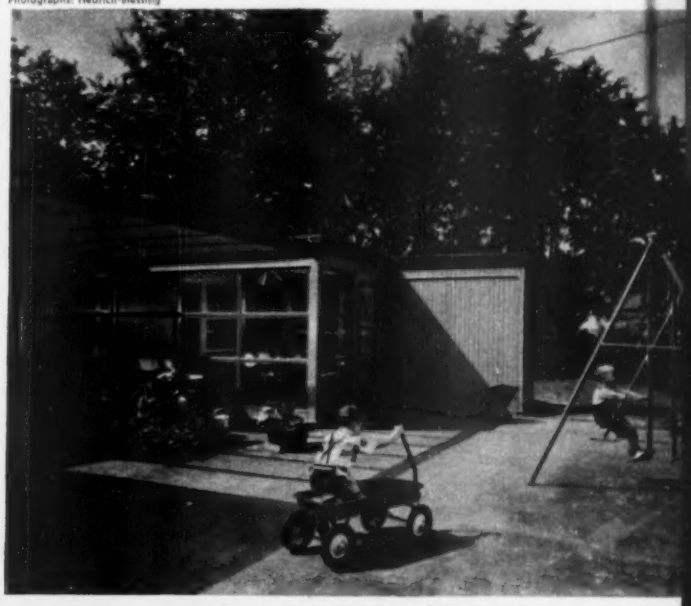
There are several other [*Turn to page 249*

Another spaciousness trick: Storage cabinets in living room set off hallway to bedrooms, yet are open at top and bottom. Hall floor is tiled for easier cleaning and to take traffic wear. All of home's main traffic lanes by-pass living room

Three-way fireplace with raised hearth divides living and dining areas. Masonry core also houses living-room television unit and, in kitchen, heating plant, wall oven, cabinets

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

More than just a room in which to rest, daughter's bedroom has space for study and entertaining. White walls permit wide range of accent colors without the room's seeming to be color-cluttered



Screened porch, opening off dining area, can be enclosed for use in winter. Paved side yard for children's play can be supervised from kitchen windows. Hard, quick-drying surface helps keep little feet from tracking mud into the house

No windows face the street, which is parallel to the brick wall at the left, but you don't miss them. You're too busy looking at the full-height brick walls on carport and street sides, the solid bands of windows above brick sills on the side, the varicolored redwood siding, and a highly unusual roof line

There's drama in site and structure

A better home from DALLAS, TEXAS

Time was when most smart, new homes were balanced boxes, set primly atop a level lot. The man who wanted to be bold painted his shutters (that wouldn't shut) brown instead of green. If you wanted to build on the side of a hill, you had holes in your head—but you could get by with it by setting your level-lot house up on stilts and pretending the slope wasn't there.

Today's homes are as likely to be on a slope as not, for fluid, informal design can make an asset of irregular terrain. The same informality extends to the use of natural materials, handled in an easy, unpretentious way to make the house look as though it belonged in its setting.

This trend, too, has had a dollars-and-cents impetus. In most cities, ideal building sites are hard to find. But there are many unsold lots with sharp slopes or other contour problems; that's why they are unsold.

Today's discovery is this: It doesn't cost much more to build on a rough lot than a flat one, provided the house really fits the site. What little more construction cost you pay, you save in the cost of the lot. And you can end up with a highly individual home.

Architect Harold E. Prinz of Dallas designed an unconventional house for his family that took every possible advantage of the unconventional lot on which it rests. Sixty feet back from the curb, a deep, narrow ravine began—a watershed before street and storm sewer were put in. Filling the end of this gully now is a room for tools and heating plant—the only basement area. The house itself was built atop this room and on the other ground at this level.

Kitchen, dining area, and the children's bedroom face the beauty of the ravine and the [*Turn to page 260*

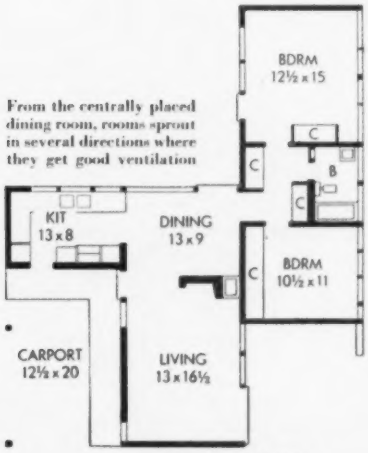
House is perfectly fitted to its site

This bird's-eye perspective shows how logically the house fits into its cleft site. Amount of earth excavated for the basement room and footings was almost the same amount required to fill the gulley under the floor of the carport

Fireplace and freestanding chimney cleave living room from dining room. Double doors open onto a small terrace, let the dining area become virtually a part of the rear yard. Floor is slate. Dining table is a slab door mounted on four triangular legs of tubular metal

Photographs: Pix

From the centrally placed dining room, rooms sprout in several directions where they get good ventilation



Over all dimensions, 40½x50 feet.
Total floor area, 1,032 square feet

Though living room is separated from outdoors by glass, it seems to have no side wall at all. Seven-foot overhang keeps out glare, doesn't cut off view of stars on a clear night, even with draperies pulled

Magnificent color at first try

You don't need experience—you just follow directions. Thrills come quickly when you grow tuberous begonias

By Leslie MacRae

Tuberous begonias—what are they? Very briefly, they're a group of some of the most spectacular flowers you or anyone else can grow. They rival orchids, roses, lilies, carnations, and camellias. They come in every color but blue. They can't stand cold, but they bloom handsomely where they get only flickering light, and even heavy shade, through the middle of the day.

Tuberous begonias start their fresh growth each summer from hard, round little tubers with dished-in tops—maybe you'd call them bulbs. You can start them now.

What they'll do. When you pick up one of these rough brown tubers, you're holding a package of built-in color. It's all ready to burst out. Where you show off that color depends entirely on you.

There's an advantage over most of the country in growing tuberous begonias in pots, baskets, or boxes. Because, in these, you can shift bloom for special effects.

The same big pot holding a plant loaded with flowers 4 to 8 inches across can be moved from a table top to the floor beside a shaded door. Or with it you can spark a shrubbery alcove gone dull, then brighten the end of a terrace step when company is coming. Plants already growing in their pots can be set into summer window boxes. Pots and baskets can be hung to brighten a deeply shaded porch.

Tuberous begonia plants usually grow from a foot to 18 inches tall. The foliage is large and very attractive. The stems are thick and full of water. To support their heavy flowers, you'll want to stake each plant early and securely. Give them a spot away from high winds. Plan to attend to their watering faithfully each day.

How you start. To enjoy the vivid colors and dazzling show they can give you this very summer, start with dry tubers or buy plants from tubers started earlier under glass. It's possible to grow these begonias from seed, but that way you'll have to wait another full season.

Buy good-quality tubers, no bargain stuff. See page 304 for advice on sizes. Use no containers less than 7 inches deep.

Put together a soil mixture that contains one part good topsoil to each two of coarse leafmold, peatmoss, or well-rotted compost or dairy manure. If you have it, throw in a little coarse sand. Mix this all thoroughly.

Now you're ready.

You can get on with your biggest, most exciting show and grow the loveliest possible flowers for wearing and also for low table arrangements this summer.

Follow the detailed directions on page 304.

Here's what tuberous begonias grown in pots will do in the hot, corn-growing summers of the Midwest. Lawrence Martin of Des Moines, businessman and weekend gardener, built this 6-foot lath house with its no-stoop bench in a jog of his house wall. Lath on south and west gives all the shade needed

Opposite photograph: Hopkins

In 10 minutes you can create a picture like this in a spot too shady for much more than ferns. Start with a well-grown begonia in pot. Measure spread; dig hole; sink pot to rim

Round Top Mountain near Jasper, Arkansas

From here you'll view Hot Springs National Park

Buffalo River from Harrison-Jasper Highway

Native Ozarkian weaves baskets for tourists

The small fry can try their luck at fishing

Post office in Shepherd of the Hills area

Nothing's more satisfying then spring water

You'll cruise on vast Lake of the Ozarks

The streams are alive with smallmouth bass

The original spring still bubbles in Hot Springs

Furniture is made to order in cedar mill

Buffalo River plays tag with highway

White Rock Recreation Area, Boston Mountains

Swing down to Hot Springs for a weekend

Angling for trout at Bennett Springs

Ha Ha Tonka castle above Lake of Ozarks

THE OZARKS

If you take it leisurely—like its people—you'll learn the secret of this friendly land, and do it for as little as $10 a day

By Henry and Vera Bradshaw

The Ozark mountain country of Missouri, Arkansas, and Oklahoma is a country where you can get a sunburn in May and October, same as July—where the mountains aren't as high as the Rockies or the Smokies, but where you can fall off a cliff just as easily—where towns have names like Kissee Mills, Yellville, and Peculiar—where you can go through a cave a day and not see them all—where general stores, sitting alone off the beaten tracks, carry everything from needles to tractors—where a main-line railroad train is called "double-geared lightnin' "—and where your family of four can still vacation for a day on $10, and do it like royalty.

This Ozark country opens in April with a splashing fanfare of pink redbud and white dogwood blossoms tinting the brown hills that later turn blue, and with natives "thinning" their blood with homemade sassafras tea. It winds up in December with bobwhite shooting, and coon and fox hunting, and with the natives "thickening" their blood with homemade cane sorghum. In midsummer, you'll find these mountains so hot you can swim every day, and kiddies will shed bathing suits only under pressure. You'll find nothing but 9 o'clock towns where real hillbillies sit on curbs and chew "snoose," where Saturdays are "trade days," and the streets are cluttered with Model T's. Every now and then, you'll run into a community out of character—with a carnival atmosphere, and little trains and miniature autos and merry-go-rounds that children go for.

You'll discover that gas-station attendants haven't the faintest idea of how far it is to the next town, nor of road conditions, nor do they care. You'll learn that when tree frogs chirrup, it's going to rain, and you'll wonder why there are no mosquitoes. You'll learn to catch catfish that "ain't much for purty, but they're sure for big." And when you get back into the hills, you're apt to run across a church chock-full of overall-clad people earnestly singing hymns. [*Turn to page 238*

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3 photographs by Wilson; 1 photograph by John Blundell

Grow plenty to cut

Here's what to plant this summer if you want both bright borders and the luxury of all the cut flowers you can use

Gladiolus bulbs of assorted sizes planted at same time will let you cut fresh spikes for weeks. Mixed bulbs are cheaper. You may prefer to grow only colors you like best in living room and on supper table. These are varieties Elizabeth the Queen, White Gold

Don't think you're limited to rows. This gorgeous bowlful is made up of the Big Five, the best annuals for cutting. All five—zinnias, marigolds, asters, gladiolus, petunias—grow informally in this garden

Hopkins

Wonderfully soft colors—more style than zinnias ever possessed before—and 6-inch blooms that rival prize, cactus-type dahlias mark these zinnias named Giant Hybrids. Equally beautiful outdoors and in

Peppermint Stick zinnias win everybody at first meeting. There's the look and feel of real party and circus gaiety to their round, color-splashed blooms. Plants are stocky; each will supply you with a full bouquet

3 photographs by Lisanti

By Fleeta Brownell Woodroffe

If you get a thrill out of color, these easy-to-grow flowers are for you. They'll draw big oh's from those who can't or don't grow such beauties. They'll provide you with big bouquets till the end of summer.

What I call the Big Five for Cutting can all be started as soon as the soil warms up, as soon as tomato plants can be set outside. Gladiolus you grow from bulbs. The others—zinnias, marigolds, annual asters and petunias—can be grown from seed sown right where you want the plants to bloom. Or, you can buy and set out small plants someone has started earlier. They all need a sunny situation.

Give most of your space to these five. They'll provide you with bold and satisfying color.

For delightful smaller flowers, just as easy to grow, and great for combining with these Big Five, turn to page 321.

Try these fresh planting ideas

Combine shrubs, trees, vines, and flowers to get the fullest use and enjoyment possible from the garden space on your lot. It's a quick, effective way to better the looks of your home

By Dale Somers

Feeling of balance for a two-story house is achieved here with Regel privet at house corner and flanking front entrance. Dwarf viburnum or box barberry makes a good hedge to hide sidewalk that leads to drive. Large, rounded shrubs minimize height of foundation of a large house

You'll much enhance the value of a picture window if you plant a tree so you can look out past the trunk and under branches from indoors. A recommended tree for a lawn is Thornless honey locust. It bears no seed pods to clutter. Small leaflets let light reach through to the grass

If you want a tree notable all spring and summer, plant Crimson King variety of Norway maple. Leaves are a deep purplish-red. Space floribunda roses 18 inches apart for a bright walk edging. For an all-purpose boundary along your property line, grow hardy Chinese lilacs

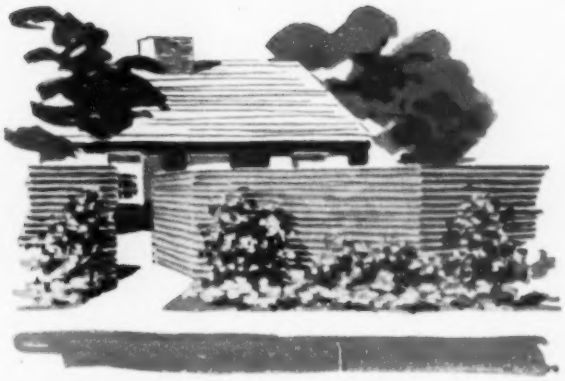
See "Magnificent Color at First Try" and "Grow Plenty to Eat," pages 68 and 72

The part your outdoor space plays in making your home more livable and attractive hinges largely on whether you recognize your possibilities. And then, how wisely you choose the plants to carry them out.

Choose shrubs and plants of the sizes, shapes, and colors that will definitely flatter the look of your house and lot. Allow for spread at maturity.

It will pay you to take the time to look around your locality and see which kinds grow well with the least trouble. Use this knowledge at home.

If you have the room to plant shrubs or trees to mark your boundaries, it's safest to set them in so they'll be entirely on your own ground. You'll avoid disputes.



Make attractive use of your available space between a fence and the front sidewalk. Arrange California giant zinnias, big marigolds, or tithonias as taller plants for the background. Then use blue verbenas or ageratum as a groundcover below and between your bigger plants

Your family's in luck if there's a tree in your back yard, say an apple. Fence off rear and a side for privacy. Pave around tree with building blocks, but don't surface entire area over feeding roots. Add a seat, with nicotianas beside it. Grow gourds, scarlet runner beans on your fence, and small zinnias to mark edge of the paving

Drawings: Rudolph

A vine can soften bare wall of garage that parallels street. Try close-clinging Baltic ivy on brick, tile, or stucco surfaces. On a trellis, use Madame Galen trumpet vine. Pfitzer junipers, trimmed so they're flat, are good under windows

Let's move out on the porch

2 Photographs by Hedrich-Blessing

When the sun sizzles, head for the porch. It feels cooler if it looks cool, so try this scheme: Spray furniture with white enamel; cushion it with green. The Robert M. Ellis home in Winnetka, Illinois

Here's your summer living room—with three sides open to catch every whiff of air. Canvas shades control sun and rain; big table, enough chairs, make entertaining easy and fun. The R. A. Foster porch, Highland Park, Illinois. Decorator: Earl Perreault

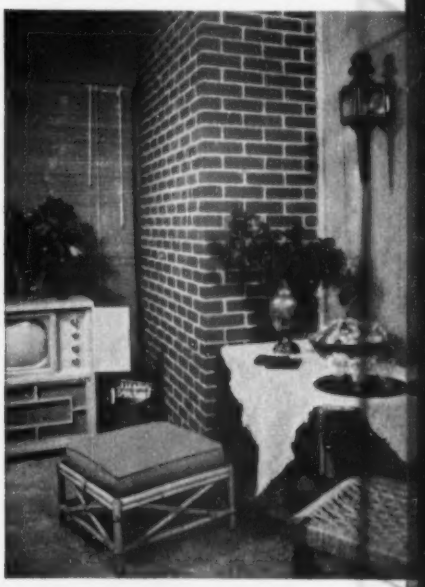
LURE the breeze; discourage the sun—that's our prescription for a cool summer. You won't have to go further to fill it than your own porch. To make it your full-time summer living room, furnish it thoughtfully. Don't forget the little things that mean comfort *inside* belong on your porch, too: tables beside chairs for your ash tray and lemonade; good light for reading or games; an ottoman or chaise longue, so you can put your feet up, lean back, and enjoy this summer at home.

de Gennaro

Screens all around, and slatted blinds, give you control of the world outside. Furniture is light enough to move where you will. Home of the Fred Eldeans, Scottsdale, Arizona. The architect: Blaine Drake; decorated by Suzette Betts

By Florence Byerly

For long and lazy summer evenings, move TV set to the porch. Plan a place to set out frosty drinks: this snack table is a built-in ledge that drops flat against the wall when not in use. Peggy Sloan, decorator, for the Carl Berrys of Kansas City



Hahn

Paint revives a neglected porch. Here, blinds and even rug are sprayed, to make this one-cool-color scheme. Wood and wrought-iron furniture is painted to match. The D.W. Newcomer home in Kansas City. Decorator: Peggy Sloan

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We shot the Salmon River rapids

More than a vacation jaunt, it gave my boys and me an idea of our ability to cope with tight situations, taught us the value of cooperation

By Charles C. Nichols

Barry and Dave lead the pack string on the 25-mile ride down Camas Creek Trail to the cabin. Road ends a mile from here; trail hugs the mountainsides

While the rest prepared the boats for launching, I checked the boys' equipment: double, air-compartmented life preservers which each passenger wore

I was as keyed up as my boys. We were on our way, seeking adventure in the Salmon River wilderness area, just stopping in Arco, Idaho, to call home—Phoenix, Arizona—to tell Gladys that everything was all right with us.

For months we had been building ourselves up for this trip. It had really started in the spring, when Andy Anderson of the Bar X at Forney, Idaho, showed us his movie of a rubber-boat float trip down the middle fork of the Salmon River, Idaho's primitive area.

The show was less than half over when I felt David, my 10-year-old, nudge me, "Pop, could we go?"

Barry, aged 14, must have heard Dave, because he picked up the cue and said, "This time Dave could go with us." And I remembered promising that if we ever made another trip such as we did [*Turn to page 146*

SOUP is so GOOD!

...so easy on your budget, too!

A clever cook keeps a full "Soup Shelf".

When four are extra hungry

This meal is packed with nourishment and is a real budget helper. Each dish has downright goodness.

Clam Chowder
Hearty and seaworthy
Macaroni and Cheese **Tomato Salad**

Luxury for a little

Chicken has that "Sunday Special" place in people's minds. So plan this menu as a weekly surprise.

Cream of Chicken Soup
Rich and smooth
Deviled Eggs and Asparagus Salad
Cheese Rolls **Coffee**

More, for less, for supper

Since the whole family adores tomato soup, let the menu grow around it, and it will please your piggy bank.

Tomato Soup
Tangy and colorful
Corned Beef Hash **Fruit Salad**

BY Anne Marshall

ANNE MARSHALL
Director Home Economics
Campbell Soup Company

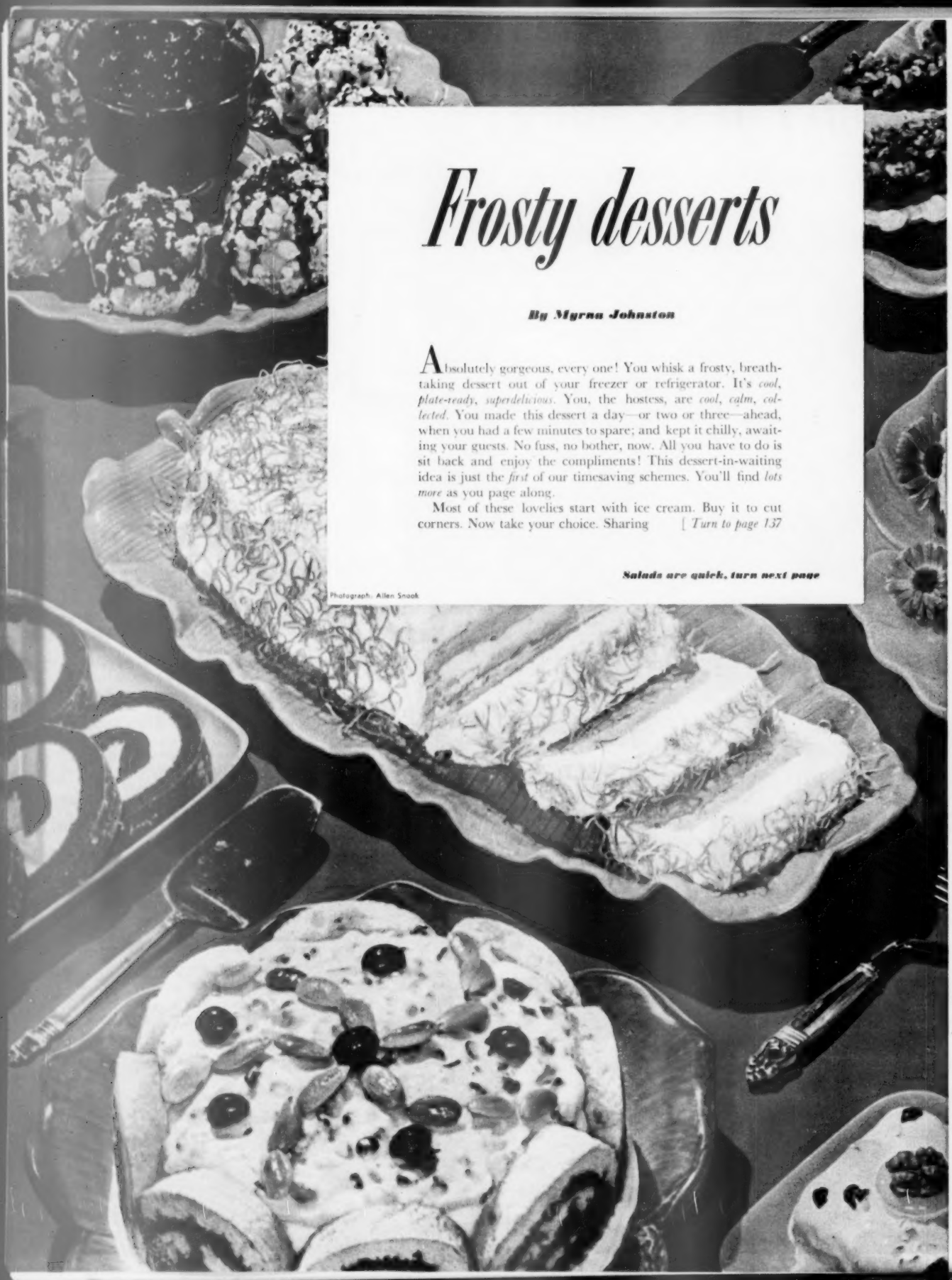
PIPING HOT bowls of soup, with their clouds of fragrant goodness can be the main attraction of most every lunch or supper. For soup is colorful and appetizing—flavorful and satisfying.

It's easy to make a good soup the heart of a meal. There are so many kinds to choose from: savory and hearty . . . rich and cream-smooth . . . deep-flavored with vegetables, chicken or meat. Just start your meal-thinking with "the soup" . . . then round out your menu with a salad and sandwich or a salad and "warmed over" dish.

You can sit down to such a meal with a smile. It's the simplest thing in the world to prepare. It takes only four minutes from Soup Shelf to table.

Soup is also one of the better budget balancers. Fine soups cost less today than most other main dishes. And some soups like tomato and cream of mushroom—used as a cooking sauce—"lift" and stretch mere leftovers into delicious, low cost casseroles and creamed dishes.

I don't know of any better way of pleasing a family and making a budget happy than serving soup often.



Frosty desserts

By Myrna Johnston

Absolutely gorgeous, every one! You whisk a frosty, breathtaking dessert out of your freezer or refrigerator. It's *cool, plate-ready, superdelicious.* You, the hostess, are *cool, calm, collected.* You made this dessert a day—or two or three—ahead, when you had a few minutes to spare; and kept it chilly, awaiting your guests. No fuss, no bother, now. All you have to do is sit back and enjoy the compliments! This dessert-in-waiting idea is just the *first* of our timesaving schemes. You'll find *lots more* as you page along.

Most of these lovelies start with ice cream. Buy it to cut corners. Now take your choice. Sharing [*Turn to page 137*

Salads are quick, turn next page

Photograph: Allen Snook

Flavor-rich chopped-beef platter

Max Salad Bowl—truly inspired!

Lavish fruits—Maison Dressing

Famous foods *from* famous places

Imperial House

You make these specialties of Chicago's Imperial House right in your own home

Look across the page to see the best-flavored, most mellow blue-cheese dressing you ever tasted, about to go on icy-crisp Max Salad Bowl. The genial host of the fabulous Imperial House, Max Guggiari, tells you how to make it, step by step, page 125. It's a perfect salad to serve outdoors before dinner, while steaks broil—or with the meat course, or as the main dish at luncheon. 'Tis an eye stopper to make up before guests. Dad, here's where you get famous!

You'll want to make Max' other specialties, too. The delicious Maison Dressing for the Cup Custard With Special Fruit Salad. The tasty Grilled Medaillons of Chopped Choice Beef Tenderloin (Imperiale). *More photographs and recipes on page 125.*

For timesaver suppers, turn page

Photographs: Suter, Hedrich-Blessing

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Busy-day suppers

By Betsy McCracken

On May's prettiest days, it's handy to have a meal in mind you can fix in a hurry. Then you can spend the extra time puttering in the garden, enjoying the out-of-doors, shopping, or doing whatever you like. Here are two hearty, delicious suppers that will help take the rush out of busy spring days, yet insure the family a good, hot dinner. They're fast—but they don't *look* fast. And best of all, they're easy on you. With each, you can walk into the kitchen at 5:30. And scarcely 30 minutes later, you'll be calling out "Come to supper!"

Recipes on page 102

Photographs: Allen Snook

29 minutes flat and your supper's on the table

GATHER ROUND, everyone! Start the platter of big Dressed-up Cheeseburgers. Golden cheese is melting over the tomato slices and juicy, well-seasoned burgers. Bite in while they're hot.

Bubbling beans in little casseroles taste like the old-fashioned kind, yet you've fixed them in 10 minutes.

Salad's cool, crisp shreds of cabbage and carrot, pretty radish circles. Let each one help himself to the French dressing.

Dessert looks fancy, but it's quick. Coconut, whipped cream, and red-ripe strawberries fill chilled canned peach halves. Now for the mugs of steaming coffee.

Fix this quick and hearty if time's a-flying

AND IF you're looking for something thrifty, something different to spring on the family. There's barbecued franks—a new way—up in the circle of fluffy rice.

In the vegetable dish are Green Beans with Onion. They're as easy to fix as tossing cooked, French-style green beans with onion slices, cooked in butter.

Pass the tray of chilled relishes. And the basket of crusty, brown-and-serve hard rolls, piping hot.

No reason why you can't have a dressed-up dessert. You can make Fig 'n' Cream Delight in the time it takes to break fig-bar cookies in pieces and top with rich cream. Bright red cherries make a perky trim.

Speedy meals with a freezer, next page

What a freezer can do for you

It gives you a market in your kitchen
Keeps fresh foods really fresh
Stores whole meals, ready to heat
Banishes that problem of leftovers
Makes a "bank" for pies, cakes

By Helen Hutchinson

You pick new, tender vegetables from your garden or bring them home dewy-fresh from the country. Flavor is at its best, and you keep it that way by hustling them into zero storage to enjoy all year.

While you package those tiny green beans, you say with satisfaction, "*These* will taste so good next winter." When fruits are at perfect ripeness, you put them in your freezer. Months later they bring their summer goodness to your table. And you're all set to store that good buy from the meat market, the wild duck, venison, and fish Dad brings home.

Can't beat a freezer for quick entertaining. Unexpected company holds no qualms for you. You walk up to your freezer and plan your meal on the spot from the delicious foods you stowed away on days when you cooked and baked for the future. Your freezer holds tasty appetizers, ready-to-heat dinners, rich desserts.

Where to place a freezer? That depends on your floor space. Today's freezers are so handsome and beautifully styled they really belong in the kitchen—and the nearer yours is to the dining table, the more you'll use it. If you haven't space there, consider the utility room, the basement, the garage. You can use your big freezer for storage. Occasionally, you'll want to move a supply of packages to the frozen-food compartment of your new refrigerator.

Store in large quantities, buy bargains

Big freezer lets you buy large roasts, a quarter of beef when the price is right. You have room to keep the harvest of corn, peas, asparagus, strawberries from your garden for wonderful eating all year round. And you can keep ice cream on call in big cartons

Stanley

Freeze ahead for that meal-in-a-hurry

Come home to a company-special in your freezer. Braised pork chops, cooked sweet potatoes await a quick heat-up; broccoli's pan-ready. Put a slice of the luscious fruit salad on each plate. Juicy blueberry pie's all baked. It's ready to warm in the oven

Keep plenty of baked goodies on hand

Baking's fun when you don't feel rushed. Freezer lets you bake at your own convenience for future good eating. While you're at it, whip up an extra cake, double or triple your pie recipe, make extra rolls, biscuits

These are models you'll want to know about

Chest models with easy-to-open lids

Little freezer fits in small kitchens

Sharp-freeze section has separate lid

Sharp-freeze section is in freezer proper

Has special built-in shelf to freeze fast

Center partition has freezing coils

Freezer for big family has double lid

Upright like a refrigerator

Small freezer for the little family

Inner doors of freezer seal in the cold

Inner doors pull down to make handy shelves

Big double-door model stows away lots of food

At your service! Special features with each freezer

Photographs: Bowman

When you open freezer lid, a light snaps on to help find the package you want. Stainless-steel top on the fast-freeze compartment is handy spot to rest packages, to wrap them. Add inches to your work space by putting freezer next to kitchen cabinet

Leftovers? Freeze them, of course! Here they go into the pint aluminum containers of this freezer —red, blue, green, gold—so you can tell at a glance which holds the chicken fricassee, which the beef stew. Days later heat them in these same boxes.

It's 10 shivery degrees below zero in this special sharp-freeze compartment. Advantage: the faster foods freeze, the better the quality. After foods freeze solid, you transfer them to the big compartment kept at zero, the ideal storage temperature

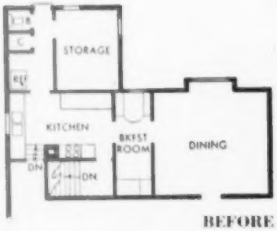
More photographs on page 107

Who says an old kitchen's hopeless?

An old kitchen, a catchall storage room, and a piece of back yard got this complete do-over because a family could see all three had great possibilities

Big and lazy — this was the old kitchen. Refrigerator was out on the back porch. See before and after plans below

Charming, hard-working — the old kitchen, remodeled. ➔ Walls are pine for good looks and easy upkeep. Floor and counters (across the room) are quarry tile. Maple counter by refrigerator is for snacks, saladmaking. Dishwasher is to right of sink. Stools' upholstery: heavy yellow place mats



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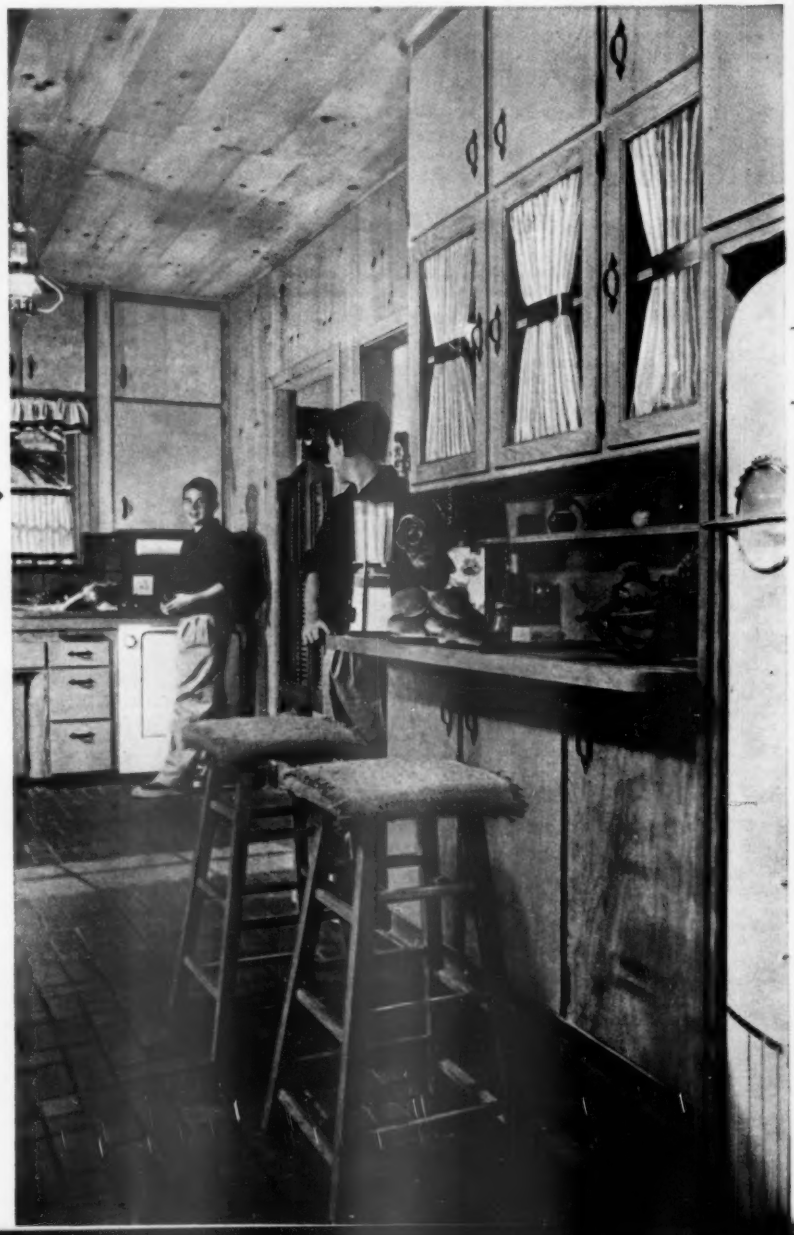
AFTER



You're looking from kitchen through game room to terrace. See how fast cool drinks and snacks can be routed from refrigerator to a breezy spot. The dishwasher is out of sight here at left (see large picture on other page) ready to take dishes on return trip

Dining, game, and TV room used to be a storage room (see floor plan). Window seat is directly opposite TV screen, stores games. Unbleached-muslin cottage curtains edged with brown-print chintz match kitchen's

See terrace on next page

The whole Riggs family was in on the remodeling. And now . . . *here's* where they (Mother, three boys are pictured) have their heart-warming family kind of real fun.

Look at the *before* and *after* plans to see what's happened. The kitchen's a glamorous marvel of efficiency now; the catchall's a dining-game-TV room; and outside sunny French doors, the back yard is a lovely terrace.

Family activities have had a transformation, too. The boys tackle the dishwashing, sport their cooking prowess when they have the gang in. The whole house has taken on an easygoing, "hi-everybody" hospitality.

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Most of the structural changes were made here. That's a chimney at right of range. Door back of chair went to the basement, door at left opened into breakfast room

Built-in range top is backed by quarry tile—slick to wipe off. Left of cooking top: Built-in oven and warming oven. Space where the old chimney was (see picture at left) has a tall cabinet now and, below the cabinet, a heater

Who says an old kitchen's hopeless?

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"Salem" pattern wallpaper in dining-game-TV room creates illusion of depth; its white background reflects light from doors and windows. Lazy Susan table, leaves dropped, saves space. And with the Susan removed, it's a game table

Start chopping! French doors were cut at right. The small, high dining-room window became a floor-to-ceiling beauty

Now . . . will you play table tennis, dance, snack, or just s-t-r-e-t-c-h out and enjoy that good old fresh air? The house is creamy yellow with white trim. Quarry-tile terrace is rust. Redwood furniture has some cushions in deep green, some chartreuse with gay red stripes

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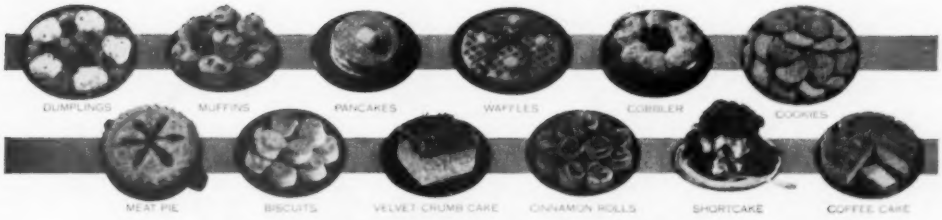

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- 1 No. 2½ can DEL MONTE Fruit Cocktail
- 1½ tbsps. unflavored gelatin
- 3 eggs, separated
- ⅓ cup sugar
- 1½ cups milk
- 2 tsps. grated lemon peel
- 2 tbsps. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- Dash of salt
- Small jelly roll
- Whipped cream, if desired

Drain fruit cocktail, reserving syrup. Soften gelatin in ½ cup of the syrup. In top of double boiler, mix egg yolks and ¼ cup of the sugar. Stir in milk. Cook over hot water, stirring constantly, until mixture coats metal spoon. Remove from heat; stir in softened gelatin, lemon peel and juice, vanilla and 1 cup of the drained fruit. Chill till mixture begins to thicken. Make meringue of egg whites, salt and remaining ¼ cup of sugar. Fold into custard mixture. Slice jelly roll; place slices against sides of 2-qt. loaf pan. Turn pudding into pan. Chill till firm. Unmold; serve topped with remaining fruit cocktail, chilled, and garnish with whipped cream sweetened with some of the remaining fruit cocktail syrup, if desired. Serves 8.

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QUICK BREADS

Chicken Upside-down Pie

There's tender biscuit topped with chicken a la king—

- 2 6-ounce cans boneless chicken, cut in pieces
- 2 tablespoons chopped pimiento
- 2 tablespoons sliced stuffed green olives
- 1 3-ounce can (3/4 cup) sliced broiled mushrooms, drained
- 2 chicken bouillon cubes
- 1 cup hot water
- 6 tablespoons enriched flour
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 2 cups biscuit mix

Combine chicken, pimiento, olives, and mushrooms. Place in bottom of 8x1 3/4-inch round pan. Dissolve bouillon cubes in hot water. Add enough cold water to mushroom liquid to make 1 cup; make a paste of the flour with a little of this cold liquid. Add remaining cold liquid and bouillon mixture; cook, stirring constantly, until thick. Stir in seasonings. Pour over chicken. Prepare biscuit dough according to directions on package. Roll to fit pan; place over chicken mixture. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes. Serves 6.—*Mrs. J. E. Hopkins, Chicago, Illinois.*

Cantonese-style Rice

A wonderful luncheon dish with Oriental flavor—

- 2/3 cup quick-cooking rice
- 2 tablespoons salad oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup sliced onion
- 1 bouillon cube
- 1 1/2 cups hot water
- 2 cups celery, cut in thin lengthwise strips
- 2/3 cup thinly sliced green pepper
- 1 12-ounce can luncheon meat, cut in narrow strips
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce

Brown rice lightly in hot oil, stirring occasionally. Add salt and onion; cook 2 minutes. Dissolve bouillon cube in hot water; add to rice. Cover and cook 10 minutes. Add celery, green pepper, and luncheon meat. Cover and cook over low heat 10 minutes. Vegetables should be slightly crisp. Stir in soy sauce. Serves 6.—*Mrs. A. R. Calhoun, Jr., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.*

Quick Mexican Dinner

Easy to fix, and you get real south-of-the-border flavor—

- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 1 tablespoon fat
- 1 16-ounce can tamales
- 1 No. 2 can (2 1/2 cups) chili con carne
- 1/2 cup grated sharp American cheese

Cook onion in hot fat until golden. Remove shucks from tamales. Add tamales and chili con carne to onion. Cover. Heat thoroughly. Top with additional hot tamales if desired. Sprinkle with grated cheese. Serve with corn chips. Serves 4 to 6.—*Mrs. N. R. Day, Akron, Ohio.*

Cooks' Round Table of Endorsed Recipes

Breads

Sugar-crusted Muffins

For a quick "doughnut" finish, you dip tender, hot muffins in melted butter, then shake in sugar and cinnamon—

- 2 cups enriched flour
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/3 cup shortening
- 1 egg
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1/2 cup butter or margarine, melted
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon

Sift together dry ingredients. Cut in shortening till mixture resembles coarse meal. Beat egg and add milk. Add all at once to flour mixture, stirring till just moistened. Fill greased muffin pans two-thirds full. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 20 minutes. Dip tops of muffins into melted butter. Shake at once in sack containing the 1/2 cup sugar and cinnamon. Serve hot. Makes 10.—*Mrs. W. R. Low, Phillips, Texas.*

Orange Swirls

Little biscuit roll-ups in a luscious orange sauce—

- ½ cup sugar
- ¼ cup butter or margarine
- ½ cup orange juice
- 2 teaspoons grated orange peel
- 2 cups enriched flour
- 3 teaspoons baking powder
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ cup shortening
- ¾ cup milk
- ¼ cup sugar
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon

Combine ½ cup sugar, butter, orange juice and peel. Simmer 2 minutes. Spoon into bottom of 12 greased muffin cups. Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt. Cut in shortening till mixture resembles coarse meal. Turn out on lightly floured surface. Knead gently ½ minute. Roll in rectangle ¼ inch thick. Sprinkle with ¼ cup sugar and cinnamon. Roll as for jelly roll. Cut in 12 slices. Place cut side down over orange mixture. Bake in very hot oven (450°) 20 to 25 minutes.—*Mrs. H. C. Harpster, Hiawatha, Kansas.*

Bacon-bits Corn Bread

Perfect for brunch or a leisurely Sunday breakfast—

- **1 cup enriched flour**
- **2 tablespoons sugar**
- **3 teaspoons baking powder**
- **¼ teaspoon salt**
- **⅔ cup yellow corn meal**
- **1 egg**
- **1 cup milk**
- **¼ cup shortening, melted**
- **7 slices bacon, cooked and crumbled**

Sift together flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt. Stir in corn meal. Beat egg; add milk and shortening. Add all at once to dry ingredients. Stir till just moistened. Spread in greased 8x8x2-inch pan; sprinkle with crumbled bacon. Bake in hot oven (400°) 20 minutes.—*Mrs. Paul E. Jackson, Warren, Pennsylvania.*

Fruit-Nut Loaf

Spread the good slices with fluffy cream cheese for the lunch box or easy snack—

- **2 cups enriched flour**
- **½ cup sugar**
- **3 teaspoons baking powder**
- **1½ teaspoons salt**
- **3 tablespoons shortening**
- **1 egg**
- **¾ cup milk**
- **¼ cup orange juice**
- **1 tablespoon grated orange peel**
- **½ cup chopped California walnuts**
- **½ cup chopped dates**
- **½ cup chopped dried apricots**

Sift together dry ingredients. Cut in shortening till mixture resembles coarse meal. Beat egg; add milk, orange juice and peel. Add to dry ingredients, mixing till just moistened. Fold in nuts and fruit. Bake in greased 8½x4½x2½-inch loaf pan in moderate oven (350°) about 1 hour and 5 minutes.—*Mrs. Virgel Peper, Centuria, Wisconsin.*

Cooks' Round Table of Endorsed Recipes

Meats

Corned-beef Pie

Tender green Limas in a savory meat "crust." Add a salad, hot rolls, chilled fruit, and your dinner's planned—

- **1 1-pound can corned-beef hash**
- **½ cup catsup**
- **1 slightly beaten egg**
- **1 12-ounce package frozen Lima beans**

Combine corned-beef hash, catsup, and egg. Press into bottom and sides of greased 8x1½-inch round pan. Bake in moderate oven (350°) 30 minutes. Fill with Lima beans, cooked according to directions on package and seasoned to taste. Top with **Cheese Sauce:** Melt ¼ pound sharp process-American cheese over hot water. Gradually stir in 2 tablespoons milk. Serves 6.—*Mrs. W. F. Beltz, Verona, New Jersey.*

"ROCKY ROAD" CHOCOLATE CAKE

Prepare Swans Down Devil's Food as directed on package. Bake in layers. Cool. (The *only* mix with Baker's luscious chocolate flavor—see how it stays rich and fragrant through oven heat!) This grand frosting makes Swans Down Devil's Food even *more* delicious.

"Rocky Road" Frosting: MELT 3 squares Baker's Unsweetened Chocolate and 3 tablespoons butter over hot water. COMBINE 3 cups sifted confectioners' sugar, ⅛ teaspoon salt, 7 tablespoons milk, and 1 teaspoon vanilla; blend. ADD hot chocolate mixture and mix well. FOLD IN 12 marshmallows, which have been cut in small pieces. LET STAND, stirring occasionally, until of spreading consistency. Stir in about 2 tablespoons unsalted roasted peanuts.

"PEACH FIESTA" SHORTCAKE

Prepare Swans Down Instant Cake Mix as directed on the package. (It's made with famous Swans Down Cake Flour, you know—that's why you can *count* on fine-textured, tender, luscious cake from Swans Down Instant Cake Mix every time!) Bake in 9" x 9" x 2" square pan. Split generous squares and arrange "petals" of golden cling peaches on whipped cream, between layers of cake and on top. Cling peaches, whipped cream and Swans Down cake make a heavenly flavor trio! Quick-and-easy way to do a company dessert.

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"Fluff-O-Mint" Frosting: PLACE ½ cup green mint jelly, 1 unbeaten egg white, 4 tablespoons sugar, and dash of salt in top of double boiler. MIX thoroughly. BEAT with rotary egg beater 3 minutes, over boiling water, until frosting will stand in peaks. REMOVE from boiling water. ADD green coloring, if deeper tint is desired. COOL slightly before spreading.

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Strawberry preserves

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First wash and stem berries. Measure 3 cups into a large, heavy saucepan. Your preserves will taste better, have a brighter color if you make them in small batches.

Pile 3 cups sugar in center of berries as shown. Don't stir. Berries will absorb the sugar; stirring would mash them.

Cook over medium heat. When first bubbles form at edge of pan, set timer for 25 minutes. Don't stir. When timer bings, pour preserves into bowl; cool; cover. Let them stand overnight.

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Next day sterilize glasses by boiling them 15 to 20 minutes. Melt paraffin over hot water. Fill hot glasses to ½ inch from the top with cold preserves. Seal immediately with an ⅛-inch coating of paraffin. When firm, add a second coating. Roll glass so paraffin comes well up on sides of glass. Cool. Put lids on glasses and label your preserves

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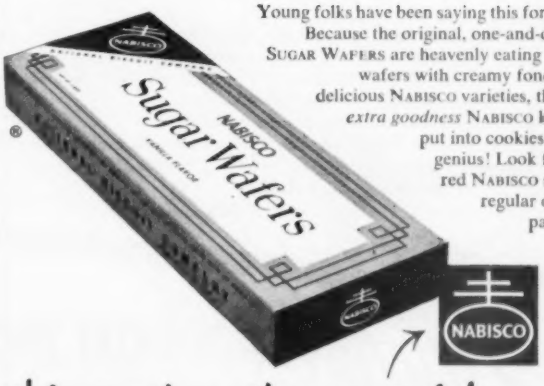

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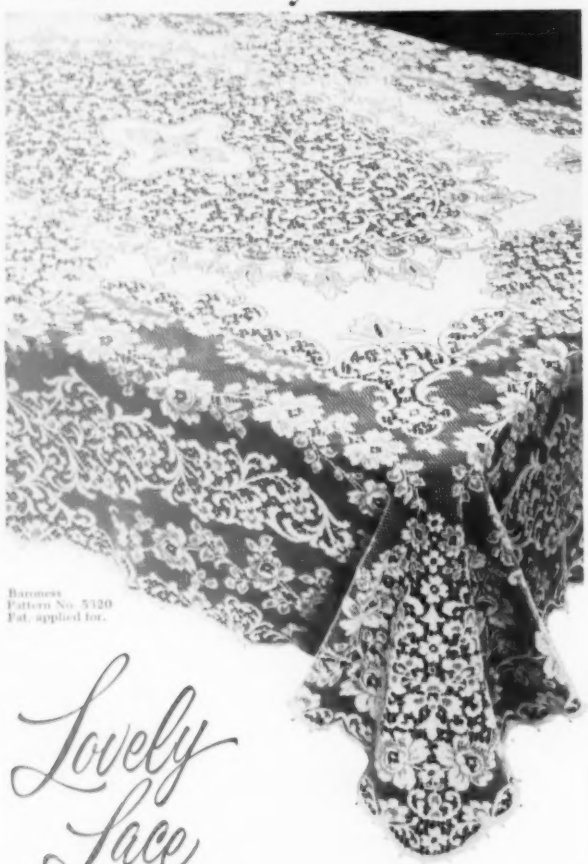

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Strawberry spreads

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Strawberry marmalade

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Strawberry jelly

It sparkles in dish like a big, ruby-colored jewel. Full-flavored jelly boils only 1 minute. Plan to make a second batch for Christmas gifts

Strawberry jam

You slice berries in halves or quarters, depending on their size. Recipe on page 265 tells how to make jam full of berry-patch flavor

Betty Crocker shows you...

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LEMON MERINGUE PIE with Stir-N-Roll pastry

(BETTY CROCKER RECIPE PERFECTED WITH GOLD MEDAL FLOUR)

Make ..... **9-in. STIR-N-ROLL Pie Shell (recipe below)**

Mix in saucepan ..... **1½ cups sugar**, **5½ tbsp. cornstarch**

Stir in gradually ..... **1½ cups water**

Cook over moderate heat, stirring constantly, until mixture thickens and boils. Boil 1 minute.

Slowly stir half of the hot mixture into ..... **3 egg yolks, slightly beaten**

Then beat into hot mixture in saucepan. Boil 1 minute longer, stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Continue stirring until smooth.

Blend in ..... **3 tbsp. butter**, **4 tbsp. lemon juice**, **1½ tbsp. grated lemon rind**

Pour into baked pie shell. Spread Meringue (recipe below) over filling, being careful to seal it onto edge of crust to prevent shrinking. Swirl or pull up points for decorative top. Bake *8 to 10 minutes* (until delicately browned) in *moderately hot oven* (400°). Cool slowly, away from drafts.

9-IN. STIR-N-ROLL PIE SHELL

Preheat oven to 475°.

Mix together 1 1/3 cups *sifted* GOLD MEDAL Flour, *1 tsp. salt. Pour into a measuring cup (but don't stir together) 1/3 cup cooking (salad) oil such as Wesson and 3 tbsp. cold whole milk. Then pour all at once into flour. Stir lightly until mixed. Round up dough. Flatten slightly. Place between 2 sheets of waxed paper (12-in. square). Roll out gently until circle reaches edges of paper. (Waxed paper will not slip while rolling pastry if table top under paper is slightly damp.) Peel off top paper. If dough tears, mend without moistening by pressing edges together . . . or by pressing a scrap of pastry lightly over tear. Lift paper and pastry by top corners; they will cling together. Place (paper side up) in 9-in. pie pan. Carefully peel off paper. Gently ease and fit pastry into pan. Build up fluted edge. Prick dough thoroughly with a fork. Bake *8 to 10 minutes* in *very hot oven* (475°).

MERINGUE

Beat 3 egg whites and ¼ tsp. cream of tartar only until frothy throughout. Gradually beat in 6 tbsp. sugar, a little at a time. Continue beating until mixture is stiff enough to hold peaks that do not curl when beater is slowly withdrawn and inverted.

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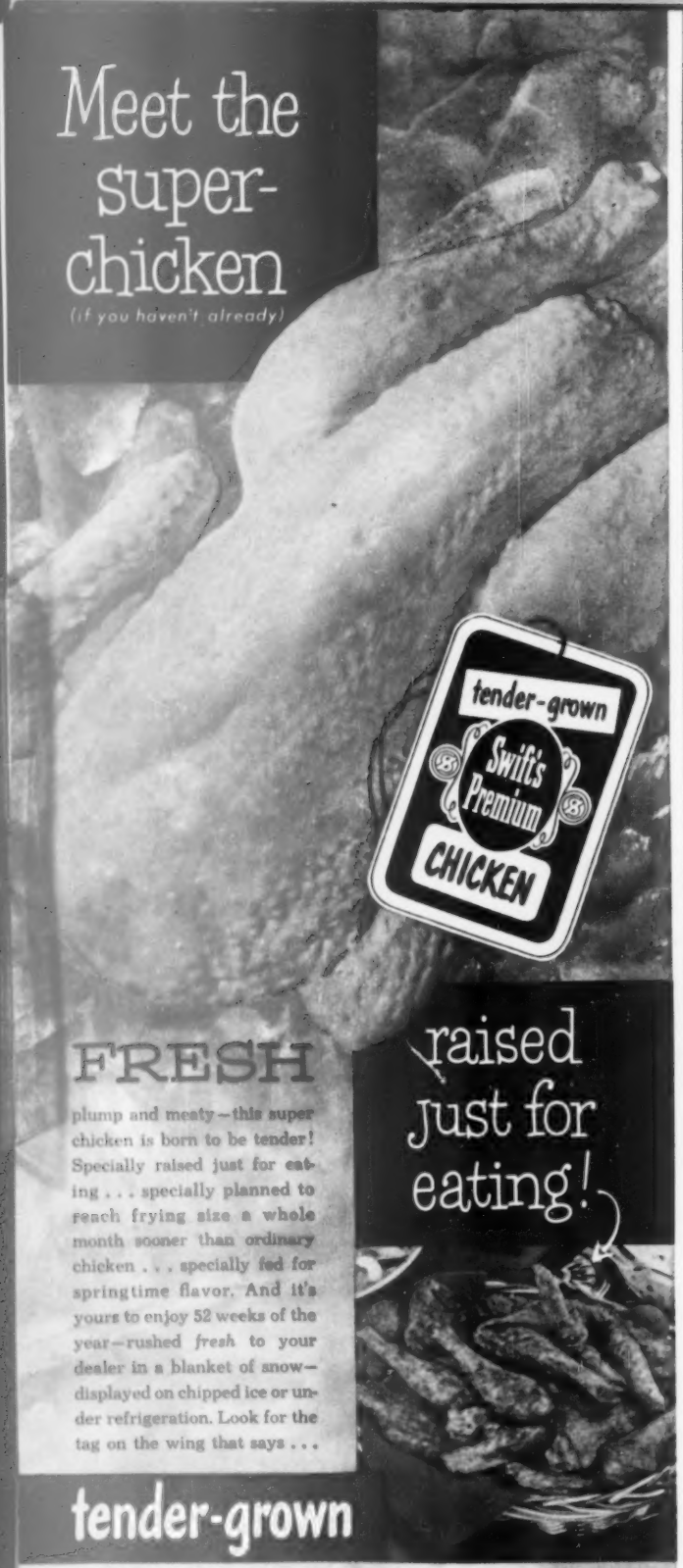

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By Elizabeth Wood

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Some accessories to your iron are basic, like the ironing board. Basic, so all the more important that they are right for you. Others are little nerve soothers. Ever have the iron cord rumple your handiwork? Then there are pressing gadgets to give a smart look to home sewing, and handy for everyday pressing and ironing, too.

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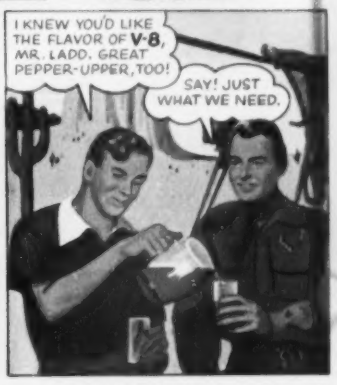

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Busy-day suppers

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Dressed-up Cheeseburgers

Bits of green pepper do big things, flavorwise, for hamburger—

- 1½ pounds ground beef
- ¼ cup water
- ½ cup chopped onion
- ½ cup chopped green pepper
- 1½ teaspoons salt
- Pepper
- 3 tablespoons prepared mustard
- 8 tomato slices
- 8 cheese slices
- 8 buns, split and toasted

Combine beef, water, onion, green pepper, salt, pepper, and mustard. Mix thoroughly. Form into 8 patties. Broil 4 to 5 inches from heat 15 minutes, turning once. Place each patty on bottom half of toasted bun; add slice of tomato, then cheese slice. Return to broiler until cheese melts, about 5 minutes.

Barbecued Franks With Fluffy Rice

You simmer frankfurter pieces gently in a spicy sauce, then serve in a wreath of snowy rice—

- ⅓ cup chopped onion
- ⅓ cup chopped celery
- ½ clove garlic, minced
- 3 tablespoons fat
- 1 10½- or 11-ounce can condensed tomato soup
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- 2 teaspoons prepared mustard
- 2 teaspoons vinegar
- Few drops Tabasco sauce
- 1 pound frankfurters, cut in thirds
- 1 5-ounce package quick-cooking rice, cooked

Cook onion, celery, and garlic in hot fat till golden. Add soup, brown sugar, Worcestershire sauce, mustard, vinegar, and Tabasco sauce. Simmer a few minutes. Add frankfurter pieces; cover and simmer 20 minutes. Arrange hot, cooked rice in ring around edge of serving dish. Fill with the frankfurter mixture. Garnish the edge of the platter with parsley. Makes 4 generous servings.

Fig 'n' Cream Delight

You start with fig-bar cookies for this quick, delectable dessert—

- 1 pound fig-bar cookies
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- Maraschino cherries

Break each cooky in pieces; place in dish. Combine cream, sugar, salt, and vanilla. Pour over cooky pieces. Garnish with maraschino cherries and extra cooky pieces. Note: For extra richness you can use 1 cup heavy cream, whipped, instead of light cream, if desired. Serves 4.

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- 1 No. 2½ can (3½ cups) peach halves, chilled
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Jiffy main dishes from

By Elizabeth Nichols

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your pressure pan

Dinner only a matter of minutes away? Yes, when you put your pressure pan to work. Here are four hearty main dishes planned to short-cut your kitchen time on crowded spring days

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Fricasseed Chicken. Pass the platter of tender chicken pieces drizzled with smooth cream gravy, and your family will think you've spent the whole afternoon cooking! The chicken tastes as if it were seasoned with a chef's touch. It gets its delightfully different flavor from celery leaves, sliced onion, and bay leaf that cook with it

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There's a real "Good Morning" in the taste of toast...

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What a freezer can do for you

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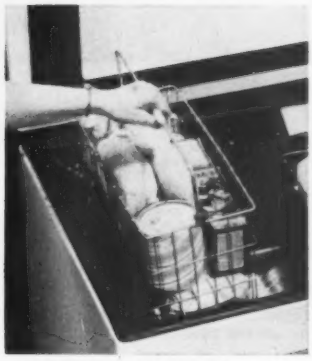
Three-story rack holds pies and cakes so they can't be bumped or crushed. Put your newly baked beauty next to the freezer wall till frozen solid. Wrap and store on rack.

One side of the rack's open. Just slip out a pie when you want one to thaw for dinner.



No problem to find things in this freezer. Top of storage space is fitted with sliding baskets for packages.

When center basket is lifted out, the other two slide obligingly to let you reach bulky packages below.

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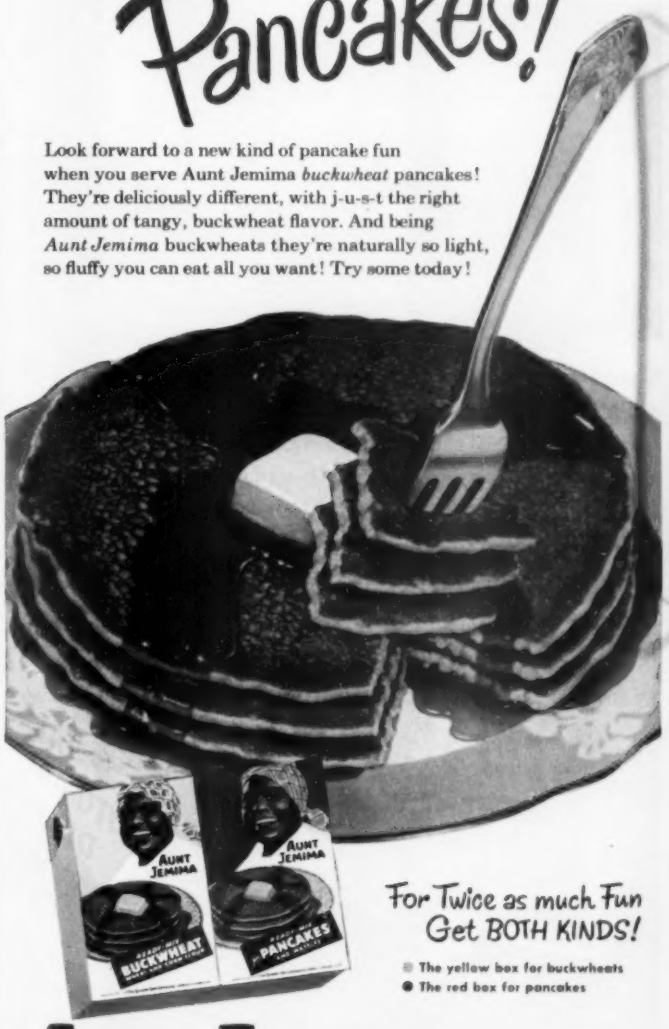

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← ***Strawberry Queen.*** The delectable, rosy filling is strawberry-flavored gelatine, ice cream, fresh berries. Crown is big, red berries and lush whipped cream. It's a memorable dessert!

Peach-blossom. As ambrosial as summertime peaches 'n' cream, this cool beauty's yet another idea for the easy ice-cream pie. Whipped ↓ cream, golden peaches, nuts blossom on top

New and easy—

Ice-cream parfait pie

By Tasting-Test Kitchen

This is a brand-new and delicious kind of pie. A pie with all the glamour and good, good eating a dessert should have; and so simple to make. It's one of those *easy, quick* lovelies you count on to impress your guests or sweeten up your family.

You stir a package of fruit-flavored gelatine into hot water. Then chunk up a pint of ice cream; stir in. This smart trick gives the pie its creamy, chiffonlike elegance. And speeds up the chilling so that in a few minutes, you are ready to fold in a cup of fruit and turn the filling into a baked pastry shell. In 15 minutes more, dessert's ready to serve.

With the very first bite, the talk's all about this wonderful pie. Its fluffiness, lovely color, luscious flavor. *You* have the fun of telling how beautifully easy it is, how many different colors, flavors, and pretty trims it can have.

Banana-Nut. Would you guess it—the fluffy filling, so quick to make, is rich vanilla ice cream and fruit-flavored gelatine, with sliced bananas and nuts folded in. Banana slices, one perfect nut, whipped cream make the trim

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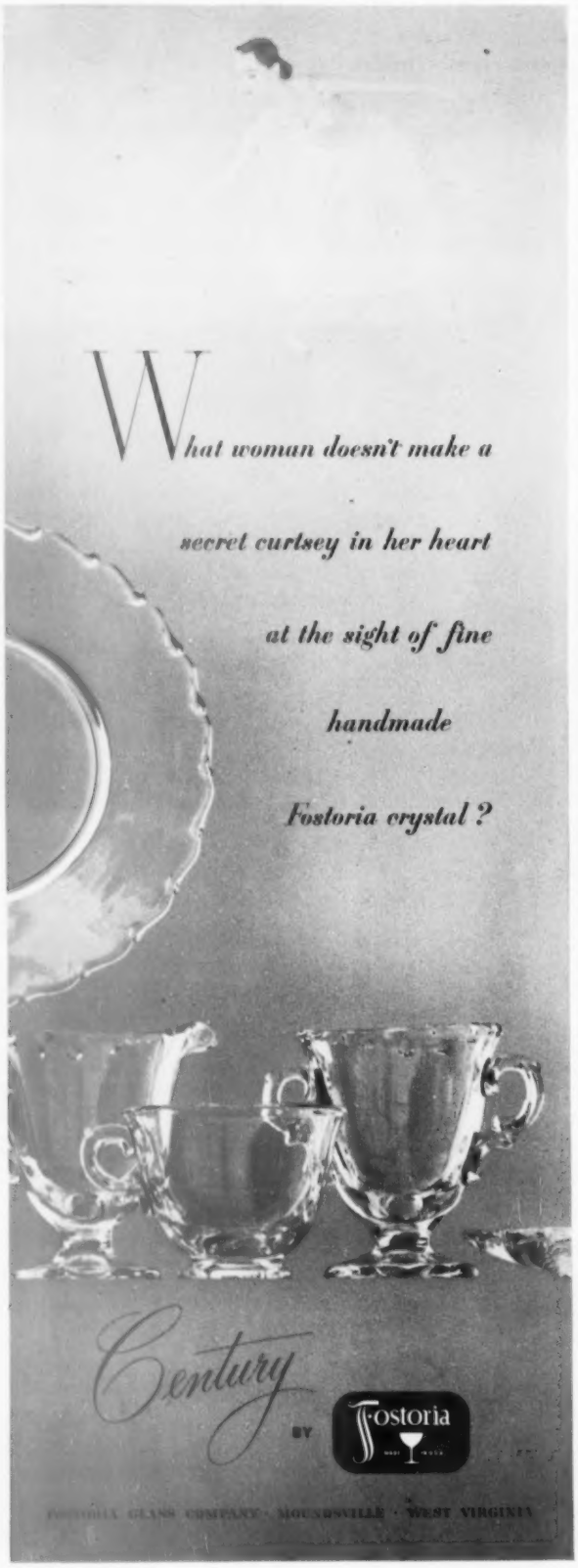

New, easy: Ice-cream parfait pie

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Steps for easy ice-cream pie

Dissolve 1 package fruit-flavored gelatine in 1 cup hot water or syrup from canned peaches. Add ½ cup cold water; stir.

For Strawberry Queen Pie, use strawberry-flavored gelatine.

Use lemon-flavored gelatine for Peach-blossom Pie or Banana-Nut Tarts.

Add 1 pint vanilla ice cream cut in 6 chunks. Stir till melted.

Chill mixture in refrigerator until it begins to *thicken* and *mound* when spooned. This will take 20 to 30 minutes.

Allow more time for the peach filling. See the exact recipes on page 114.

Fold in fruit, nuts, flavoring (almond for peach pie).

Here we're adding 1 cup sliced, fresh strawberries for the Strawberry Queen ice-cream pie.

Pour into cooled, baked pastry shell. Chill till firm enough to cut, about 20 to 25 minutes.

Then trim your pie to look as pretty as the pictures on page 109.

For pie in a flash

Use only *1 cup* water. Proceed as above. Chill; serve your pie pronto.

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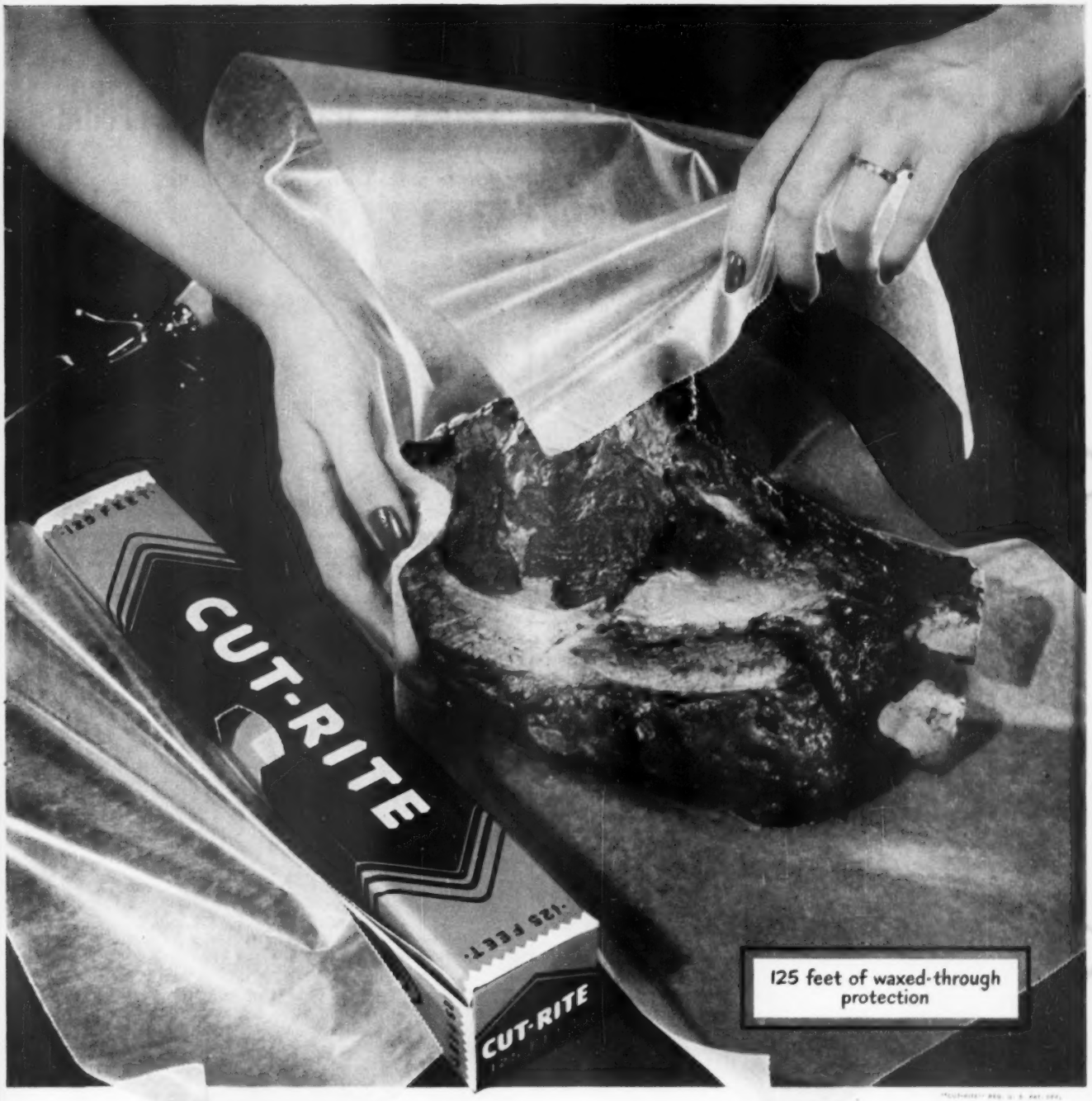

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New, easy: Ice-cream

How to make pastry and tart shells

Sift together 2 cups enriched flour and 1 teaspoon salt. With pastry-blender, cut in ⅔ cup shortening until pieces are size of small peas

Add 5 to 6 tablespoons cold water, a little at a time, tossing with a fork till all the flour is moistened. Turn onto waxed paper; press into compact ball. This amount makes two 9-inch crusts, or 6 to 8 tarts

On your pastry canvas, mark a circle an inch larger all around than your piepan. Divide pastry in half. Roll to ⅛ inch on the lightly floured canvas. Roll lightly from center to edges till pastry fills circle

parfait pie

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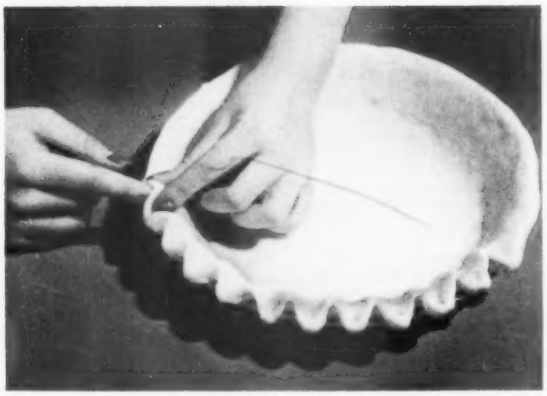

Fit pastry into pan; fold edge under all around. To make the fancy fluted trim, press pastry firmly between thumb and forefinger of one hand with forefinger of the other hand. Prick pastry with fork to prevent puffing during baking. Bake in hot oven (450°) about 15 minutes

For tart shells, roll pastry to ⅛ inch thickness; cut circles ½ inch larger than your tart pans. Press smoothly in pans, turn edges under

Prick pastry thoroughly with fork to prevent puffing during baking. Mark edges with tines of fork. Bake in hot oven (450°) about 15 minutes. Cool well before you spoon in the ice-cream parfait filling

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New, easy: Ice-cream parfait pie

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Strawberry Queen Pie

The color's rosy, the flavor double-strawberry. A beautiful dessert worthy of your first pint of big red berries—

1 cup water
1 3-ounce package strawberry-flavored gelatine
½ cup cold water
1 pint vanilla ice cream
1 cup sliced fresh strawberries
1 9-inch baked pastry shell

Heat water to boiling in 2-quart saucepan; remove from heat. Add gelatine and stir until dissolved. Add ½ cup cold water (or ice water). Cut ice cream in six pieces; add to hot liquid. Stir until melted. Chill until mixture begins to *thicken* and *mound* when spooned, 20 to 25 minutes. Fold in strawberries. Pour into cooled, baked pastry shell. Garnish with whipped cream and sliced strawberries if desired. Chill 20 to 25 minutes or until firm.

Banana-Nut Tarts

The luscious ice-cream filling's so easy, you have time to make the little tart shells and add a party trim—

1 cup water
1 3-ounce package lemon-flavored gelatine
½ cup cold water
1 pint vanilla ice cream
1 cup sliced bananas
½ cup chopped California walnuts
6 baked tart shells or 1 9-inch baked pastry shell

Heat water to boiling in 2-quart saucepan. Remove from heat. Add gelatine and stir until dissolved. Add ½ cup cold water (or ice water). Cut ice cream in six pieces; add to hot liquid. Stir until melted. Chill until mixture begins to *thicken* and *mound* when spooned, 25 to 30 minutes. Gently fold in bananas and nuts. Chill until firm. Garnish with whipped cream, bananas, and nuts if desired. To keep bananas fresh-looking, dip in lemon juice.

Peach-blossom Pie

It looks like a picture when you finish putting the peach-slice blossoms on top the high, cool pie—

1 cup peach syrup
1 3-ounce package lemon- or orange-flavored gelatine
½ cup cold water
1 pint vanilla ice cream
⅛ teaspoon almond extract
1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) sliced peaches, drained
1 9-inch baked pastry shell

Heat syrup to boiling in 2-quart saucepan. Remove from heat. Add gelatine and stir until dissolved. Add ½ cup cold water (or ice water). Cut ice cream into six pieces; add to hot liquid. Stir until melted. Add almond extract. Chill until mixture begins to *thicken* and *mound* when spooned, 35 to 40 minutes. Fold in peaches. Pour into cooled, baked pastry shell. Chill 15 to 20 minutes or until firm. Garnish with whipped cream and peach slices if desired. To make tulip design in picture, arrange 3 peach slices for each blossom; then sprinkle slivered pistachio nuts over base of each for a pretty green finish.

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What a freezer can do for you

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If this freezer runs a temperature, you'll know it! At 12 degrees above zero, a loud alarm bell will ring for 48 hours or until turned off.

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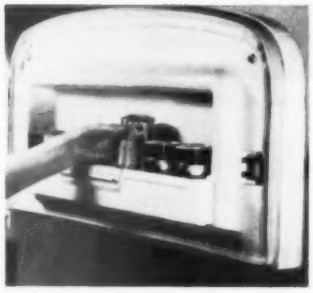

Door of freezer compartment has recessed shelf where you can tuck away those little cans of frozen fruit juice, ready for breakfast.

This small freezer is the top storage area of a large, two-door refrigerator.

You'll appreciate the help of this plastic tray when you carry small packages of food to or from the freezer.

It fits over center section of the freezer, makes a place to rest storage basket, too.

Tray's a pastel green to match the lovely color on the interior of freezer lid.

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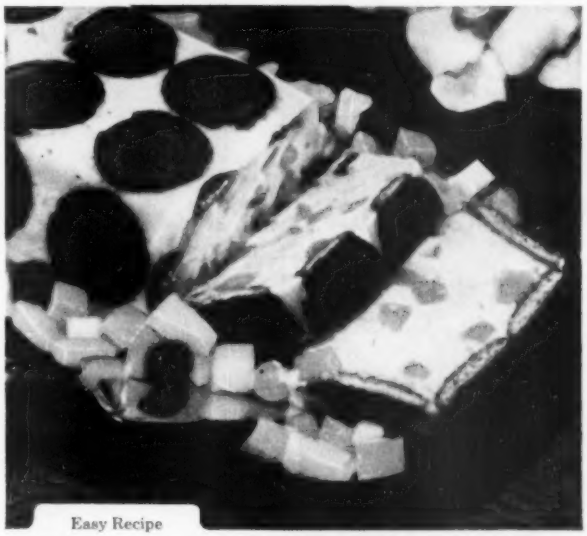
Good and gay treats with luscious

Canned Fruit Cocktail from California



Easy Recipe

Five Fruit Cream Loaf

1 No. 2½ can fruit cocktail
⅓ cup granulated sugar
2 eggs
1 envelope (1 tablespoon) plain gelatin
⅓ cup orange juice
1 teaspoon grated orange rind
1 tablespoon lemon juice
½ cup whipping cream
20 vanilla wafers (or ladyfingers)

Drain syrup from fruit cocktail and heat ⅔ cup with sugar. Separate eggs and beat yolks lightly. Stir some of hot syrup into yolks, then combine with remaining syrup. Cook and stir over hot water until slightly thickened. Soften gelatin in orange juice and dissolve in hot mixture. Blend in orange rind and lemon juice. Cool until slightly thickened. Fold in stiffly beaten egg whites, whipped cream and 2 cups drained fruit cocktail. Line loaf pan (8½x4½ x2½ inches) with waxed paper. Cover bottom and sides with vanilla wafers (or split ladyfingers). Fill with fruit-cream mixture. Chill overnight. Unmold and garnish with remaining fruit cocktail. Serves 8 to 10.

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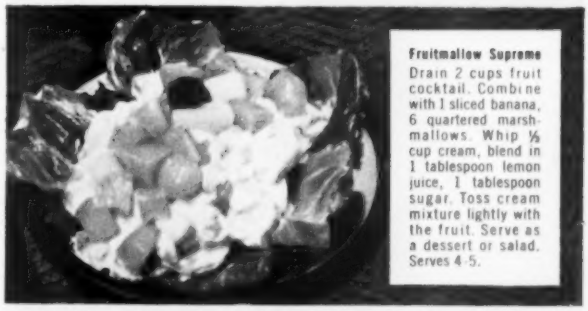
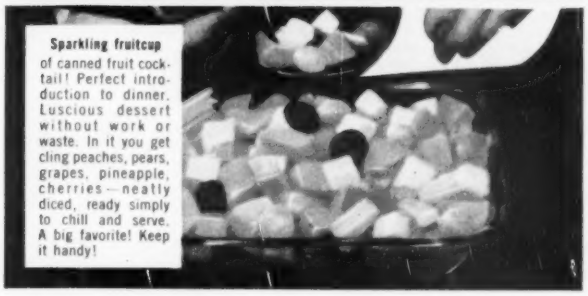


Fruitmallow Supreme
Drain 2 cups fruit cocktail. Combine with 1 sliced banana, 6 quartered marshmallows. Whip ½ cup cream, blend in 1 tablespoon lemon juice, 1 tablespoon sugar. Toss cream mixture lightly with the fruit. Serve as a dessert or salad. Serves 4-5.



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1 Soften 1 package active dry yeast in 2 cups *warm* water or 1 cake compressed yeast in 2 cups *lukewarm* water. Add 2 tablespoons granulated sugar, 2 teaspoons salt, and 4 cups enriched white flour. Beat until smooth

2 Keep in warm place (82°) till light and bubbly, as in the picture. Takes about 1 hour. Combine ½ cup hot water, ½ cup brown sugar, and 3 tablespoons shortening. Stir; cool to lukewarm. Add to the yeast mixture

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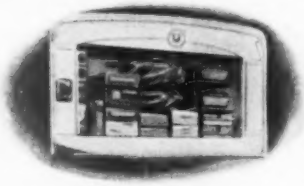

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Homemade whole-wheat bread

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3 Now add 4 cups whole-wheat flour. Mix until smooth. Turn dough onto lightly floured surface. Knead smooth, about 10 minutes. Place in greased bowl. Turn over to grease surface. Cover; let rise in warm place till double

4 Knead down dough. Cut in half with knife. Shape each half to form a ball. Cover; let dough rest about 10 minutes. Roll the dough into 10x14-inch rectangle. Break bubbles in surface. Roll dough toward you, as above. Seal after each roll with heel of hand

5 Seal ends with the side of your hand. This leaves thin sealed strips to make a smooth, uniform crust on both ends of loaf

6 Fold the strips under loaf. Place in lightly greased 9½x5¼x2¾-inch loaf pans. Cover; let double. Bake in moderate oven (375°) about 50 minutes

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FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW BEFORE YOU BUY A CARPET

Read These Helpful Tips And Get More For Your Money When Buying Carpets And Rugs!

PERHAPS you have never thought of it in this light, but the carpet is the most important single furnishing of any room. Not only because it is the *most used* furnishing, but also because it covers such a large area that it usually sets the tone for your entire decorating scheme. *If you choose it wisely,* a new carpet or rug can be one of the longest lasting, most satisfying investments you can possibly make. So read all these pointers and *plan* before you buy!

● ● **The three most important things to remember are: (1)** *Buy from a dealer who is both reliable and well-informed, one in whose advice you have confidence . . .* **(2)** *Insist on a well-known, nationally advertised brand loomed by a mill with an unquestioned reputation for quality . . .* **(3)** *Buy the best grade you can afford, remembering that you'll expect many years of service from the carpet you select.*

● ● **There are** also several other points you should consider. So be sure you read the answers to these important questions before you go shopping—

1 Q. How Important Is Color?

A. *Your choice of color* is, perhaps, the most important decision you will make when choosing your new rug or carpet. *If your furniture and furnishings are predominantly dark, a light carpet will probably set them off to best advantage.* If they are light in tone, you will more than likely want a dark carpet to lend contrast.

2 Q. Should I Choose A Pattern Or Solid Color?

A. *This is largely a matter of taste.* Generally speaking, however, a solid color—or a carpet limited to various tones of the same color—will harmonize with a wider variety of other furnishings. On the other hand, if you wish to express your own individual taste very dramatically, you may prefer a multi-colored pattern. Patterns, incidentally, do not show soil as easily as a solid color.

● When it comes to deciding on color and pattern, the main thing to remember is that you will be living with your new carpet for a long time, so you should pick one you really *like!*

3 Q. How Do Carpet Color And Pattern Affect The Feeling Of Spaciousness In A Room?

A. *Light colors or cool colors* make small rooms appear larger, while dark colors or warm colors give even a large room an intimate, cozy air. Patterns tend to make a room seem smaller. So if you want to use a pattern in a small room, choose a small pattern—or a single color in a sculptured or tone-on-tone effect that creates a muted self-pattern.

4 Q. Does The Texture Of A Carpet, In Itself, Have Any Decorative Effect?

A. *Definitely.* For example, some very exciting new effects with beautiful gradations of color and shading are being achieved through the use of both high and low loops, or tufts, in the same carpet. The interplay of light and shadows on the uneven surface creates a subdued feeling of pattern.

● Through your choice of texture, you can key the tone of your rooms. *A carpet with a nubby texture, for instance, lends an air of informality,* while others—sculptured or tone-on-tone carpets, say—give a luxurious feeling of formality.

5 Q. Have There Been Any Recent Developments In The Materials Used In Carpets?

A. *Yes, a number of them.* The most important is an amazing new man-made fiber called *carpet rayon.* This revolutionary new fiber was especially developed for carpets and has made possible new and desirable characteristics never before achieved. For example, through special "blends" of wool or other fibers and *carpet rayon,* manufacturers can now create exceptionally rugged and durable carpets in more striking color effects and with a more luxurious, more brilliant luster.

6 Q. What About Price And Value?

A. It pays to buy the *best* grade carpet your budget will permit. But remember—price alone is not always necessarily a true yardstick of value. Different makes of carpets selling at exactly the same price may vary considerably in quality. *That is why—whether you're planning on a needle-loomed carpet at $4.95 a square yard or $35-a-yard custom Chenille—it's so important that you buy a well-known make you know you can trust.*

7 Q. What About Cotton Carpets?

A. *For some purposes,* cotton carpets are excellent. You will find that they soil more easily but clean well. They also crush more easily but the crushing usually enhances their decorative effect. *Due to their high-style texture and stunning colors, cottons have a definite place in modern decorating.* If you decide on cotton, remember the better grades are *loom woven*—actually woven on a carpet loom.

8 Q. Is Broadloom A Specific Kind Of Carpet?

A. *No. Any* seamless carpet or rug over 54 inches wide is called broadloom, because it is woven on a *broad* loom.

9 Q. Should I Choose Wall-To-Wall Carpeting Or Room-Sized Rugs?

A. *That depends.* Wall-to-wall carpeting is generally more desirable if you own your own home or plan to remain in your present apartment or rented house for some years to come. Wall-to-wall carpeting gives rooms a more luxurious appearance and makes them seem larger. Laid throughout several adjoining rooms, it helps tie the rooms together, thus making your home appear more spacious. Also, wall-to-wall carpeting makes housekeeping easier.

● Room-sized rugs also have their advantages. "Customade" room-sized rugs are made in a number of sizes to fit practically any room. They cost somewhat less than wall-to-wall carpeting, because they are slightly smaller and there is no installation cost. They can be easily taken up and can be turned from time to time to equalize wear. If you choose a room-sized rug, make sure that it is only a few inches from the wall at any point. Otherwise, it will look skimpy and make the room appear smaller.

10 Q. Will It Pay Me To Buy Carpet Cushions?

A. *Yes!* National Bureau of Standards tests show cushions make carpets wear 73% to 146% longer! Here, again, it's wise to buy the best quality you can afford—and to make sure your cushion, too, bears a famous brand name.

● ● **With the information** above in mind, you are now ready to start thinking about making a definite selection. But before you go shopping, remember—if you want the *best value* for your money, deal with a reliable store and choose a well-known brand!

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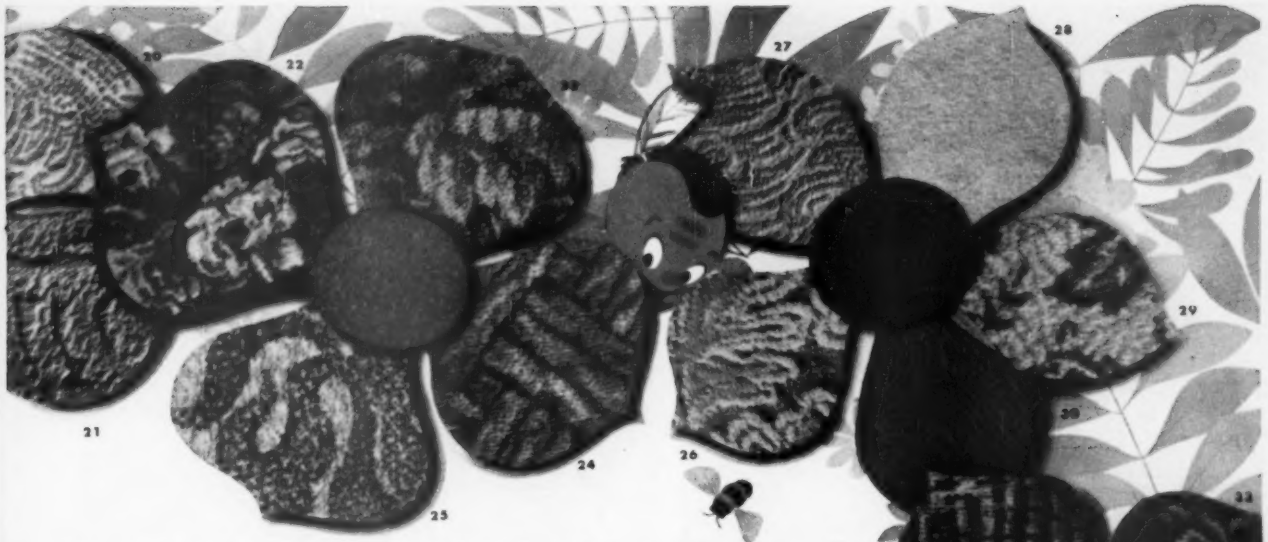

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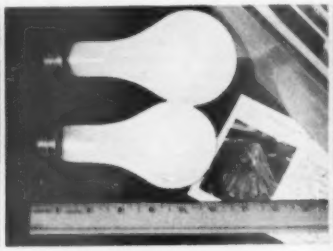

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Famous foods

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Make dressing over crushed ice. Crumble ½ cup mild blue cheese with a fork. Stir in 3 tablespoons light cream, ½ teaspoon rich prepared mustard, ⅛ teaspoon Worcestershire sauce, salt if needed

Crushed ice used with a lavish hand is one of Max' success secrets. Salad dressing chills in the little bowl as you mix. Now add pepper—freshly ground, of course, for best full flavor. Taste to see "when"

Stir in 2 tablespoons wine vinegar, 6 tablespoons olive oil from cruets. Have ready greens for 4—Bibb, Boston, or romaine lettuce, tomato wedges, peeled avocado and hard-cooked egg slices, artichoke hearts

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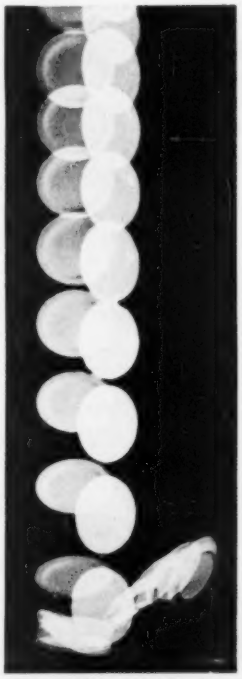

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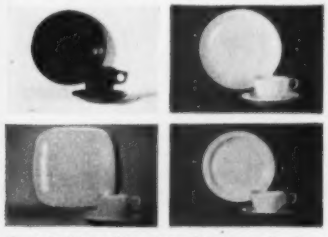

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Famous foods

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Place big bowl of picture-pretty salad on crushed ice for guests to admire. See page 82. Pour on dressing. You "roll" this salad, not toss it! Fork in left hand goes down, spoon in right goes up and over

Three cheers for Max! Your salad's mixed, and nary a lettuce leaf hopped the bowl! Now the finale. Sprinkle croutons on top to give crunch and subtle flavor to your salad. See how to make, page 128

Be sure your salad plates are well chilled. Carefully lift a portion of salad to each plate. Give everyone a bit of each delicious green. Every leaf boasts a little of the creamy, piquant blue-cheese dressing

More on next page

A lovelier, new kind of candlewick—the "lint-free" *Radiant Heiress*

Who would have believed the traditional beauty of the candlewick bedspread could be improved! Yet right now an entirely new kind of loveliness is ready for your bedroom.

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You leave crusts on bread slices to make croutons like Max'. Break bread into tiny cubes. Toast in slow oven, stirring frequently, till dry and golden brown. Melt butter in skillet with a peeled clove of garlic

Take out garlic when it is golden brown. Add croutons; toss them till butter-coated. You can store a supply of these in covered jar in the refrigerator. Heat just before using

Cup Custard With Special Fruit Salad

Hub of this luscious fruit plate is a creamy baked custard. You garnish it and spice it a bit with a sprinkle of nutmeg.

Around this centerpiece are dewy raspberries, whole grapefruit sections, red-ripe strawberries, juicy orange segments. Then come apple slices with the rosy skin left on, and banana slices dipped in lemon juice to keep them fresh and pretty. See on page 83 how carefully the fruits are arranged on their green bed of tender lettuce.

Serve this delectable fruit plate for your main dish at luncheon. With it, pass exotic Maison Dressing, spicy with chutney, nippy with water cress.

Maison Dressing

So deliciously piquant and tart. Perfect on fruit. Skip the chutney, and it's just right for seafood—

- 1 teaspoon rich prepared mustard
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 5 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 tablespoons chili sauce
- 1 tablespoon wine vinegar
- 1 tablespoon drained chutney, chopped
- 1 cup minced water cress
- Salt
- Pepper

Blend all ingredients well. Add salt and pepper to taste. Pour into dressing server; garnish with extra minced water cress. Pass to spoon over fruit salad. Serves 4. **For seafood salad:** Omit chutney. Mix sauce with shrimp, crab-meat, or lobster salad. Serve on small amount of shredded lettuce or romaine.

Grilled platter of chopped-beef patties and garden vegetables

Been wondering how to fix the tempting, sizzling-hot platter on page 83? This beef at its best is a specialty of Felix Monego, head chef at the Imperial House. The juicy, brown tenderloin patties are encircled with garden-fresh vegetables, cooked just fork tender.

There's lots of melted butter on those new peas, tiny carrots, French-style green beans, cauliflower, and broccoli. The plump tomatoes go into the broiler when the meat patties are put in. The crispy potato balls are butter-browned after boiling. Garnish is water cress, each leaf perky from chilling.

Grilled Medallions of Chopped Choice Beef Tenderloin (Imperiale)

Enhance the best of meat with a dash of just the right seasonings—but not too much or you'll mask that true beef flavor—

- 2½ pounds ground beef tenderloin
- ½ cup sweet cream
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon black pepper
- 1 slightly beaten egg
- ¼ teaspoon monosodium glutamate

Combine all the above ingredients thoroughly. Use a light touch to shape meat into 4 patties Preheat broiler to 400°. Place in broiler 4 to 5 inches from heat. Broil, turning once, 3 minutes each side for rare, 5 minutes each side for medium rare, and 7 minutes each side for well done. Makes 4 servings. **Tasting-Test Kitchen Note:** Ground beef chuck tastes mighty fine seasoned and broiled this way, too.

Broiled Tomatoes (Imperiale)

Juicy, pleasingly tart, browned on top—wonderful accompaniment for grilled meat—

Turn whole tomatoes stem end down, and cut crisscross mark on flower end. Brush with melted butter. Place in broiler for the full time patties cook.

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Try these tricks on cleaning day

Shoe buffer **will polish table tops to a hard, bright luster. Get a buffer to use for this job.**—*Phyllis Emery, Rush City, Minnesota.*

Prevent scratches on table tops by sticking strips of adhesive-backed felt on the bottom of ash trays, vases, and lamps. If you're unable to find these strips in your local stores, use adhesive tape; or glue felt pads on the bottom of your accessories.—*Mrs. H. L. Marquis, Sudbury, Massachusetts.*

Use a new paintbrush **1 to 3 inches wide for dusting tops of books, figurines, carved furniture, the radio, and between stair railings. Brush will clean dust from corners and crevices too small to reach with a dustcloth; it's gentle to delicate figurines.**—*Mrs. J. H. Cooney, Nicktown, Pennsylvania.*

My dusting timesaver is to keep a dustcloth in every room of the house. For example, I have one in the corner of my bottom dressing-table drawer. This cloth is handy for wiping off the bedroom chest and tables every morning. The whole house looks shinier when I don't have to make a trip to the cleaning closet every time I need a dustcloth.—*Mrs. Edward F. Kutik, Oakland, New Jersey.*

Get out an old stocking **to use when you put paste wax on your floors. Wet the stocking, wring it out, and spoon in enough wax to cover the floor. Fold over top of stocking so it will make a pad for your hand. Wax goes on floor in a thin, even coat you can polish to a hard, dry finish.**—*Walter Baker, Adrian, Michigan.*

After you paper a room, tack a piece of the new wallpaper on your attic or storage-room wall. This piece will age and tone down like the paper on the wall. You'll have a perfect match when and if you need to do any patching.—*Mrs. M. C. Newman, Columbus, Ohio.*

Black marks **will come off linoleum or wood floors if you rub them with a cloth dipped in waxed-floor cleaner or liquid cleaning and polishing wax.**—*Mrs. A. N. Molter, Dallas, Texas.*

Before draperies go to the cleaners, mark them with a different color thread for each window. Keep a list so you'll know where to rehang them. For more even wear, rotate them from window to window.—*Mrs. J. F. Bicek, St. Paul, Minnesota.*

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Jiffy main dishes from your pressure pan

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Spanish Rice

4 slices bacon, diced
3 tablespoons chopped green pepper
2 tablespoons chopped onion
1 cup rice
1 No. 2 can (2½ cups) tomatoes
½ cup water
1 teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper

Partially fry bacon in pressure pan. Add green pepper and onion; cook till onion is golden and bacon crisp. Add rice, tomatoes, water, salt, and pepper. Cook at 10 pounds' pressure 10 minutes. Allow the pressure to go down normally. Serves 4.

Fricassee Chicken

1 2- to 3-pound ready-to-cook chicken, cut in pieces, or 2 1-pound packages frozen chicken pieces
¼ cup fat
1 cup water
2 small onions, sliced
2 bay leaves
¼ cup chopped celery leaves
2 teaspoons salt
⅛ teaspoon pepper
Milk
⅓ cup enriched flour
½ teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon kitchen bouquet

Roll chicken in seasoned flour (2 teaspoons salt and 2 teaspoons paprika to ½ cup flour). Brown in hot fat in pressure pan. Add water, onions, bay leaves, celery leaves, 2 teaspoons salt, and pepper. Cook at 15 pounds' pressure 35 minutes. Allow pressure to go down normally. Remove chicken. Strain stock; add milk to make 3 cups. Shake 1 cup liquid with flour till blended. Add remaining liquid. Return to pressure pan. Cook, stirring constantly, till thickened. Add ½ teaspoon salt and kitchen bouquet. Pour over chicken. Serves 4 to 5.

Porcupine Meat Balls

1½ pounds ground beef
½ cup rice
1 teaspoon salt
½ teaspoon pepper
1 tablespoon chopped onion
1 10½- or 11-ounce can condensed tomato soup
½ cup water

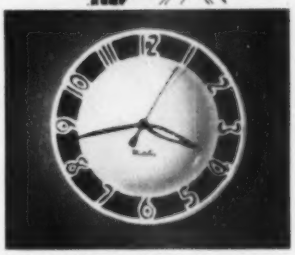
Combine meat, rice, salt, pepper, and onion. Shape in small balls. Blend soup and water; heat in pressure pan till mixture begins to simmer. Add meat balls. Cook at 15 pounds' pressure 10 minutes. Allow the pressure to go down normally. Serves 4 to 6.

Speedy Barbecued Ribs

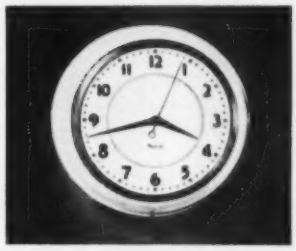
4 pounds spareribs
2 tablespoons fat
2 large onions, sliced
½ cup catsup
¼ cup vinegar
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
¼ teaspoon chili powder
½ teaspoon celery seed
2 teaspoons salt
¼ teaspoon pepper
½ teaspoon paprika

Cut ribs in serving pieces. Brown in hot fat in pressure pan. Add onion. Combine remaining ingredients. Pour over meat. Cook at 15 pounds' pressure 15 minutes. Allow pressure to go down normally. Serves 4. *Note:* Add few drops liquid smoke to sauce before cooking, for outdoor flavor, if desired.

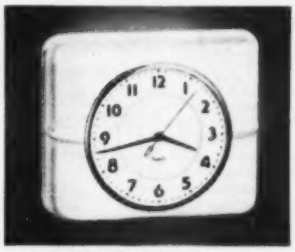
In Wall Clocks...it's Westclox



MELODY Electric Wall Clock is adaptable to any room, any color scheme. Smartly-styled, Melody mounts flush on wall; excess cord is neatly concealed. Easily removable case ring comes in a wide variety of colors. $6.95.



ORB Electric Wall Clock is small, neat and handsome. Five-inch dial. Easy to read and the metal case is oh so easy to keep clean! Four popular color choices—ivory, white, red and yellow. $4.25.



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By Ann Hodge

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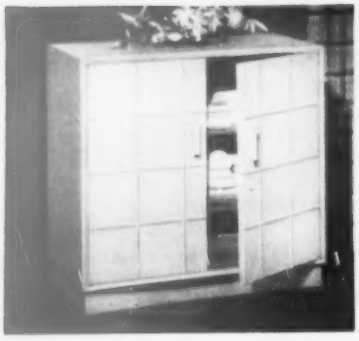

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You can short-cut these laundry jobs

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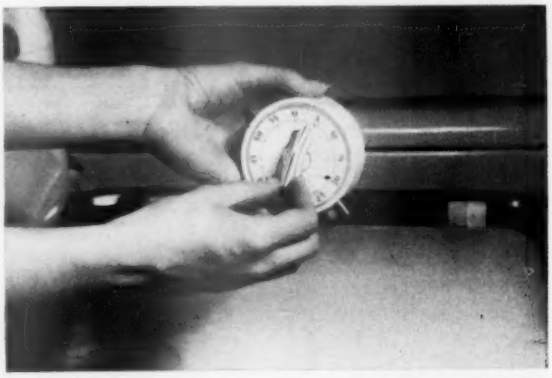
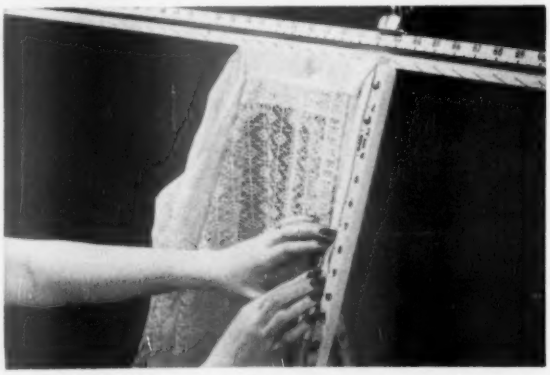
Dampen the quick way. Plastic bag has center partition. You put colored clothes on one side, white on the other. Drop in clothes loosely. Pour a cup of cold water on each 7- or 8-inch layer. Tie the top closed. Let stand a couple of hours before you start to iron



Time your washing. Those lost minutes add up to a longer morning over the washer. Set timer at 5 to 10 minutes for most loads. Carry it with you if you run upstairs to answer the phone or the doorbell. Timer's "bing" tells you when your load of clothes is ready to rinse



Stretch curtains. Start this ironing skipper by measuring curtains before you wash them. Baste muslin strips around delicate lace panels. Then, when they're clean, pin them on the stretcher. Your curtains will dry the same size as before and with square corners

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Frosty desserts

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center of stage are extra-luscious, dramatic Rainbow Snowball Cake and lavish, coconut-topped Gay Ribbon Loaf. Just above the ice-cream cake, you see rich Ice-cream-filled Eclairs, chocolate and nuts up on top. Next, look clockwise around the picture. First there's delicate-flavored Raspberry Angel Pie, then Strawberry Party Mousse, Ice Cream 'n' Cake Sundaes, almond-studded Crown Torte. Then comes Chocolate-Lime Roll-up—two favorite flavors. And way up in the corner are Dainty Meringue Balls, peppermint-stick ice cream inside, chocolate sauce drizzled over. You'll want these recipes to wow your guests at dessert luncheons, spring parties—at showers, weddings, graduation.

Rainbow Snowball Cake

Perfectly enchanting to see and to eat. Simple to make, but you'll need a freezer or refrigerator with a big freezing compartment. Or ask your local ice-cream company to make you one—

1 quart strawberry ice cream	3 quarts vanilla ice cream
1 quart orange sherbet	1 pint heavy cream, whipped
1 quart lime sherbet	1 teaspoon vanilla

Chill a 10-inch tube pan with removable bottom. With small ice-cream scoop, shape balls of strawberry ice cream, orange sherbet, and lime sherbet, placing them on cooky sheets chilled in freezer. Return them immediately to freezer. Chill until very firm. Soften vanilla ice cream. Whip till like fluffy whipped cream. Drop a layer of the various-colored balls into chilled tube pan. Spoon whipped ice cream to fill spaces. Repeat rainbow layers and vanilla ice cream until pan is filled. Freeze overnight or several hours. Remove cake from pan. Invert on serving platter. Frost with whipped cream flavored with vanilla. If desired, decorate with whipped cream put through pastry tube. Return to freezer until serving time. Makes 16 servings.

Tasting-Test Kitchen Note: If you want to freeze the cake several days ahead, leave it in the pan, and cover with a moisture- vaporproof wrapping. Whipped cream may be put on a day ahead of serving.

Gay Ribbon Loaf

Here's the life of the party—easy to put together, elegant eating—

1 10x5x3-inch loaf angel cake	1 tablespoon sugar
1 pint mint ice cream	1 teaspoon vanilla
1 pint strawberry ice cream	2 cups shredded coconut, tinted pink
1 pint heavy cream	

Cut cake lengthwise in three layers. Spoon mint ice cream between bottom and middle layers, and strawberry ice cream between middle and top layers. Place in freezing compartment or freezer. Whip cream; add sugar and vanilla, and blend. Spread over top and sides of cake. Makes 8 to 10 servings.

To tint coconut: Add enough red food coloring to 2 tablespoons water to make the exact color you want. Shake with coconut in covered quart jar till coconut is evenly tinted. Drain. Sprinkle over whipped cream. Return to freezing compartment till time to serve. If desired, seal frozen loaf in moisture-vaporproof wrapping, and you can store it several weeks.

Ice-cream-filled Eclairs

A melt-in-your-mouth dessert, all ready in serving portions—

1 cup butter or margarine	1 cup enriched flour
1 cup boiling water	¼ teaspoon salt
	4 eggs

Melt butter in boiling water. Add flour and salt all at once, and stir vigorously. Cook, stirring constantly, until mixture forms a ball that doesn't separate. Remove from heat and cool slightly. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition until mixture is smooth. Put mixture through pastry tube or paper cone with opening 1 inch wide; make strips 4 inches long. Bake on greased baking sheet in very hot oven (450°) 15 minutes, then in slow oven (325°) 25 minutes. Turn off oven. Cut eclairs in half, lengthwise, and allow to stand in oven 30 minutes to dry out. When cool, cover tops with Creamy Chocolate Frosting, then broken California walnuts. Fill bottoms with vanilla ice cream. Replace tops. Place in freezing compartment or freezer. Thaw about 5 minutes before serving. Serves 9. **Creamy Chocolate Frosting:** Heat ¼ cup water and 2 tablespoons butter or margarine; add ½ teaspoon vanilla and two 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate; heat to melt chocolate. Add 2 cups confectioners' sugar; beat till of spreading consistency.

Raspberry Angel Pie

Truly a yummy treat—creamy, fruit-flavored filling in a meringue crust—

1 package raspberry-flavored gelatine	1 tablespoon lemon juice
1⅔ cups hot water	1 pint vanilla ice cream
	Fresh raspberries

Dissolve gelatine in hot water. Add lemon juice. Chill until partially set. Beat in ice cream with electric or rotary beater. Turn into Meringue Shell. Chill in refrigerator until firm, about 1 hour. To speed chilling, place for a short while in freezing compartment. Garnish with whole berries. Serves 8. **Meringue Shell:** Combine 2 egg whites, ⅛ teaspoon salt, ¼ teaspoon vanilla, and ½ teaspoon vinegar; beat to a stiff foam. Add ⅔ cup sugar slowly; continue beating until very stiff and sugar is dissolved. Spread in *well-greased* 9-inch piepan. For a frilly edge, press mixture through a pastry tube. Bake in slow oven (300°) 45 minutes. Cool.

Ice Cream 'n' Cake Sundaes

You top each one with marshmallow sauce, dot with candied cherries and center with a mint—

⅓ cup shortening	1 cup plus 2 tablespoons sugar
2 cups cake flour	¾ cup milk
2 teaspoons baking powder	1 egg
½ teaspoon salt	1 teaspoon vanilla

Stir shortening to soften. Add sifted dry ingredients and milk. Beat vigorously 2 minutes. Add

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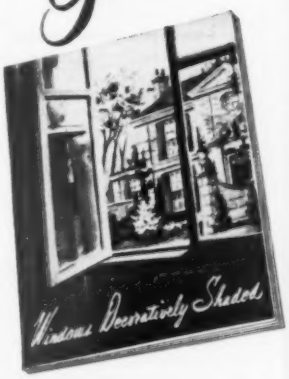

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Frosty desserts

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egg and vanilla and beat vigorously 2 minutes. Bake in 13x9½x2-inch pan in moderately hot oven (375°) 25 minutes. Or use 1 package cake mix. Cool. Spread with 2 quarts slightly softened cherry ice cream. Place in freezer or refrigerator freezing compartment. To serve, cut in squares. Spoon marshmallow cream over each; sprinkle with candied cherries. Top with mint candy and walnut half, if desired. Makes 12 servings.

Tasting-Test Kitchen Note: Cake may be cut to fit deep refrigerator tray, then topped with ice cream and held in refrigerator freezer compartment until serving time.

Strawberry Party Mousse

Two-toned beauty—luscious strawberry top, frozen whipped cream and nut layer on bottom—

2 cups crushed strawberries
⅔ cup granulated sugar
3 tablespoons light corn syrup
2 teaspoons unflavored gelatine
2 tablespoons cold water
2 cups heavy cream, whipped
½ cup confectioners' sugar
1½ cups toasted slivered almonds
1 teaspoon vanilla

Force strawberries through food mill or coarse sieve. Add granulated sugar and corn syrup. Stir to dissolve sugar. Pour into oiled 1½-quart melon mold. (Or use one 12-ounce package frozen strawberries for fresh berries, sugar, and corn syrup.) Freeze until edges are firm. Soften gelatine in cold water. Dissolve over hot water. Cool. Combine remaining ingredients. Add gelatine. Mix well. Spoon over partially frozen berries. Freeze until firm. Invert on platter to serve. Garnish with whole berries and green leaves, if desired. Makes 8 servings.

Dainty Meringue Balls

Pink ice cream peeks through crunchy, white meringue crumbs—

2 quarts peppermint-stick ice cream
Coarsely crushed Meringue
Velvety Chocolate Sauce

Scoop ice cream into balls. Chill slightly on tray in freezer or freezing compartment of refrigerator. Roll in crushed Meringue while still slightly soft. Freeze firm. Top with **Velvety Chocolate Sauce.** Serves 10. **Meringue:** Combine 2 egg whites, ⅛ teaspoon salt, ½ teaspoon vinegar, and ¼ teaspoon vanilla; beat till foamy. Add ⅔ cup sugar gradually, beating until very stiff and sugar is dissolved. Drop by spoonfuls onto paper-lined cooky sheet. Bake in slow over (300°) till dry, about 1 hour. Cool. Crush gently.

Velvety Chocolate Sauce

½ cup light corn syrup
1 cup sugar
1 cup water
3 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
1 teaspoon vanilla
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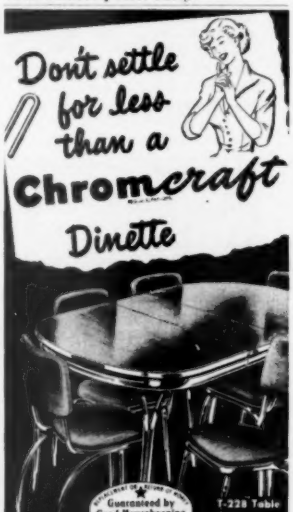

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Crown Torte

Looks fancy, but it's a snap to fix—

1 tablespoon (1 envelope) unflavored gelatine	½ cup chopped candied cherries
¼ cup cold water	½ teaspoon vanilla
½ cup hot orange juice	2 stiff-beaten egg whites
½ cup sugar	1 cup heavy cream, whipped
¼ cup chopped blanched almonds	1 jelly roll, sliced
½ cup chopped candied pineapple	Toasted almonds

Soften gelatine in cold water. Dissolve in hot orange juice. Add sugar. Mix well. Chill until partially set; fold in blanched almonds, pineapple, cherries, vanilla, and stiff-beaten egg whites. Carefully fold in whipped cream. Line sides of 8-inch torte pan (using flat-bottom insert) with 1-inch-thick slices of jelly roll. Pour fruit filling into pan. Arrange toasted almonds and maraschino cherry halves on top. Chill. Makes 12 servings.

Chocolate-Lime Roll-up

Pretty green-and-brown pin wheels—delicious flavor combination!—

5 egg yolks	½ teaspoon salt
1 cup confectioners' sugar	3 tablespoons cocoa
¼ cup enriched flour	1 teaspoon vanilla
	5 stiff-beaten egg whites

Beat egg yolks until thick and lemon-colored; add sifted dry ingredients and beat until well blended. Add vanilla and fold in egg whites. Spread in greased paper-lined 15½x10½x1-inch jelly-roll pan. Bake in moderately hot oven (375°) 15 to 20 minutes. Turn out onto towel sprinkled with additional confectioners' sugar. Remove paper; cut off crisp edges; roll up. Cool. Unroll and spread with slightly softened Lime Ice Cream. Roll. Freeze. Serves 10.

Lime Ice Cream: Gradually add ⅔ cup corn syrup to 5 egg whites, beating till very stiff. Combine ¼ cup sugar, ½ cup lime juice, and 3 well-beaten egg yolks. Beat thoroughly. Fold into egg whites. Fold in ¾ cup heavy cream, whipped, and a few drops green food coloring. Pour into refrigerator tray. Freeze firm, beating once during freezing.

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By Charles Swain

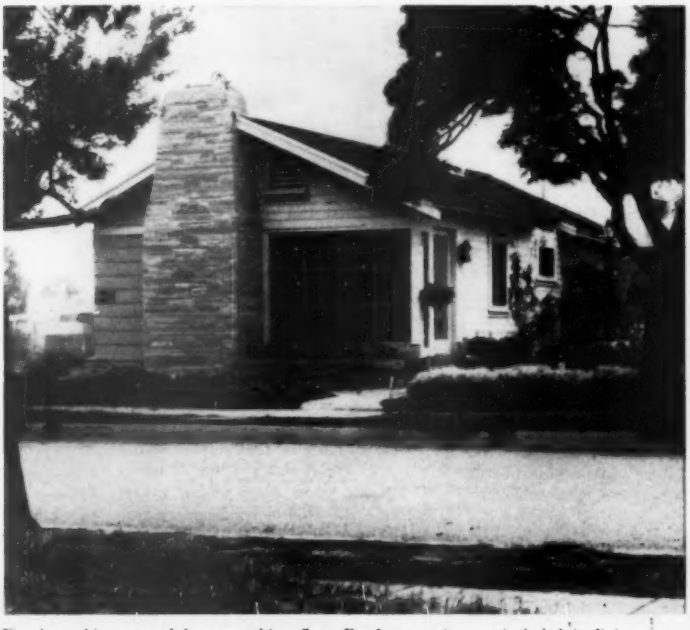
BEFORE The four concrete posts seemed to offer a firm but unattractive support to the steps and the gable at the front of the house. Actually, they did neither, as Irving Manoir determined before starting his remodeling by removing the porch

The four concrete pillars at the front of their house annoyed Irving and Hazel Manoir, but their home had cost only $1,500.

When Irving started his remodeling, he found those four pillars actually supported nothing. The gable was held up by cantilevered, 4x6 plates. Working with a mason who provided technical information as well as a helpful, experienced trowel, Mr. Manoir changed five tons of flagstone to a chimney. The living room gained both a fireplace and the space the porch had occupied.

The floor-to-ceiling window was built as a unit with 2x4 framing at a lumberyard. After the three-man, "piano-moving" job of installing it, Irving closed in the other side of the porch space with siding to match the house.

The flagstone planter ties in the new entrance at the side, and lowers the house into its setting. Doing much of the work themselves, the Manoirs transformed their home, they say, "for an incredibly small amount of money."



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By Robert Wortham

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Above is a rogues' gallery of paintbrushes. The first character on the left is a fuzzy-wuzzy which has lost its efficiency through improper use and cleaning, with bristles snarled inside, and wild bristles outside that leave marks on work. The center exhibit looks almost hopeless, with bristles stiff, and warped with dried paint. To the right, we have a brush in fairly good condition, but "heeling up" with paint deposits at the base of the bristles, left there because of inadequate cleaning.

If our pictures remind you of a brush you've left to dry in that cup of hardening paint, you should blush. But don't throw it away. Though it looks as hopelessly gone as any in our gallery, it may be salvaged.

Follow pictured directions for cleaning brushes in the second two rogues' gallery divisions. For the third, the fuzzy-wuzzies, soak brush in linseed oil, then wrap securely in wedge-shaped sleeve of several thicknesses of waxed paper, and let set for 48 hours. The sleeve will restore the brush to proper wedge shape. Clean with turpentine to remove the residue of the linseed oil.

paintbrush

Soak bristles

If your brush is heeled up, as in the third picture of our rogues' gallery, first soak the bristles in paint remover for a 10-minute period.

If brush is coated with a dried mass of paint, as in middle picture of gallery, it may take a 30-minute period to soften to jellylike consistency which is necessary for working.

Comb paint out

When paint is softened to jelly consistency, remove with hairbrush cleaner or old comb.

Rinse in turpentine, and repeat the combing and rinsing until all paint is out.

Rubber gloves protect your hands from caustics which are sometimes present in commercial paint removers.

Wash

After combing out the loose paint, wash the brush with soap and water. Add a cup of turpentine to about a quart of soapy water for washing.

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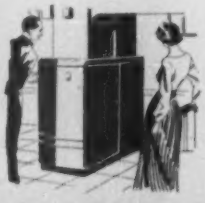

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Save that paintbrush

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For warping. If brush is warped, soak in linseed oil 10 minutes. Position brush so bristles are bent opposite to warping and let stand overnight, as shown in the picture above

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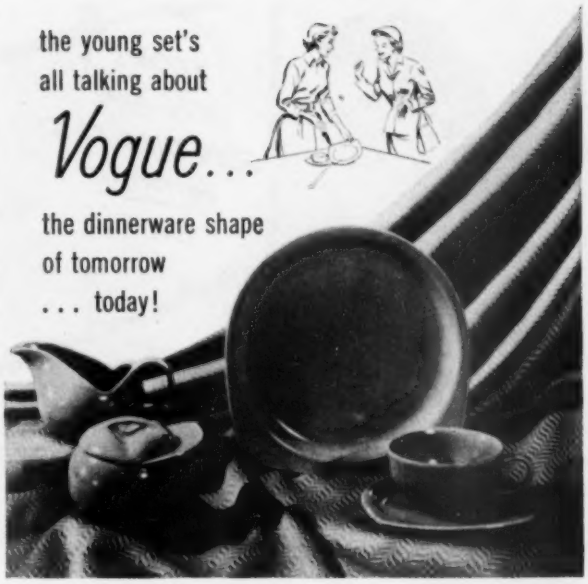

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We shot the Salmon River rapids

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The Boys join the White Water Club. Halfway down, beyond the Point of No Return, Andy Anderson has cached membership list. Less than 100 people have gone through. Barry and David are the youngest

to Montana ("I Got to Know My Boy in the Great Out-of-doors," *Better Homes & Gardens*, June, 1950), I would take both boys.

On the screen, the blue-green water rolled and tumbled, frothy and white. The tiny rubber boats disappeared from sight at times, then erupted from the churning foam, wet, glistening, and with the occupants streaming with water.

When Dave whispered his eager question, my reaction was that such a trip was all right for adults—me, for instance—but, jeopardize youngsters on such a hazardous venture? No.

Any parent will know that didn't end it, however. Those boys stuck to me after the show, and we were soon talking to Mr. Anderson about the possibility of a father and two boys making such a trip. Could it be done—safely? Andy assured us it could in the late summer when the Middle Fork is comparatively tame—at low-water stage. As an added safety measure, life jackets would be worn by everyone.

Later, unknown to the boys, their mother and I talked over the advisability of their making such a trip. The whole thing sounded a little ultra-adventuresome at first, from a mother's point of view. There would be an all-day horseback ride from the home ranch to an isolated cabin on the middle fork of the Salmon River—hours in the saddle on steep, rocky, and perhaps dangerous mountain trails. Then, by rubber boat through a remote and isolated canyon, so removed that Andy takes homing pigeons along to release with messages to the home ranch, reporting on the progress of the trip. A big point to consider was that the area is so rugged that once you start down the Middle Fork in boats, you have to go through with the trip. It is rightly called "The River of No Return." Would it be too rough for our city-bred lads of 10 and 14?

Gladys and I decided to set up a sort of ledger, noting credits as well as debits to be marked against this proposed trip.

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Trying to discount our natural parental pride in their triumphs, we recounted that: Barry had earned the major part of the money for his trip back to Valley Forge that very summer to attend the World Jamboree for Boy Scouts. That he had been selected, as a reward for effort, to work for his board and room on an Arizona

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We shot the Salmon River rapids

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Opportunities to gain "know-how" were many. Barry and David watch Andy Anderson (left) and packers sort the chuck for the trip. The boys learned how necessary planning and organization can be

ranch for a month. That David, although only 10, was a natural athlete, and had attended the Y.M.C.A. camps two consecutive summers, where the sessions had included daily horseback riding, and he had shown a real horseman's instinct. That both boys had learned to swim like muskrats early in life, and that both had often accompanied me on hunting and fishing trips.

So, totaling up the pros and cons, Gladys and I came to the conclusion that this security thing could be overdone—in other words, that the ayes had it!

But there was another fairly knotty problem—one which we felt called for some outside advice. The trip would extend well into October. Would we be justified in keeping the boys out of school until then? The counselors of their schools were consulted, and both unhesitatingly recommended that the boys go. One underscored her approval by saying that she felt such a trip with his father could be easily worth a year of school to a youngster.

That's how it came that we happy adventurers were in Arco, Ida-

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Dave holds up one of the many trout he caught on the trip. Andy Anderson, who pioneered the unique adventure down the middle fork of the Salmon, admires the fish with just the right degree of reserve

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We shot the Salmon River rapids

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The boys met a number of interesting people from all parts of the country. They're watching Buz Busek, the west coast's noted fly tier and steelhead fisherman, demonstrate the technique of fly tying

ho, calling Mother, only to learn that right after we left, a wire had arrived from Andy Anderson, saying that our trip had been canceled! A letter with full explanation was following.

Our dream fell apart. All the effort, the planning, the arrangements fell in a heap. Still dazed by the blow, depressed, and worried, I told the boys we'd better take a room in the hotel and turn in early, explaining something I've always believed: "A good sleep is the best remedy for the blues." It was. The next morning we had regained some optimism. In fact, it suddenly occurred to me that *this* was adventure—not exactly the kind we had expected, but with possibilities, nevertheless. Such an experience—disappointment, disruption of plans—would be met frequently by the boys, all through life. Here was a good chance to utilize this situation in showing them how they might overcome a terrific letdown. It would take a little doing.

We decided that since we were only 100 miles from our destination, we'd go on to Challis, Idaho—the last point of civilization before you go back into the Salmon River wilderness area. The Bar X Ranch is only about an hour's drive from Challis, so maybe in the town I could learn more about what had happened to our trip.

Our first move in Challis was to

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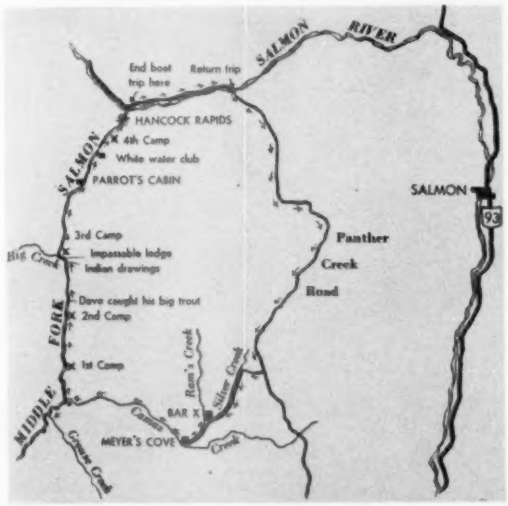

We spent many evenings poring over Idaho maps. The area is so inaccessibly rugged that once you start down the Middle Fork in boats, there's no turning back. It's rightly called the "River of No Return"

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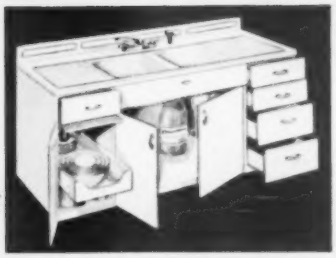

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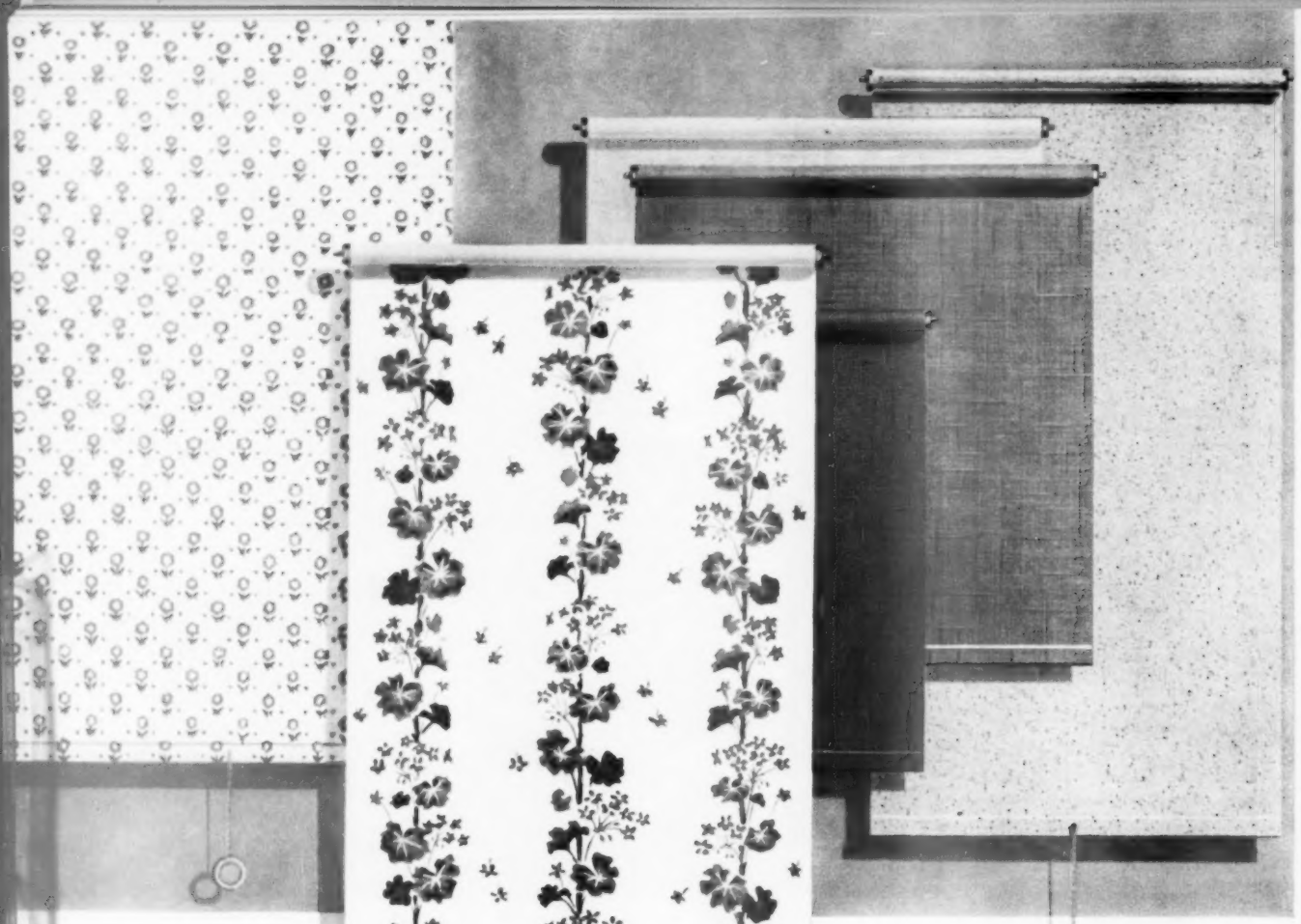

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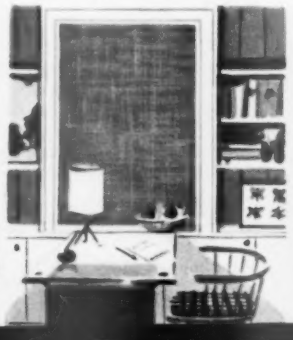

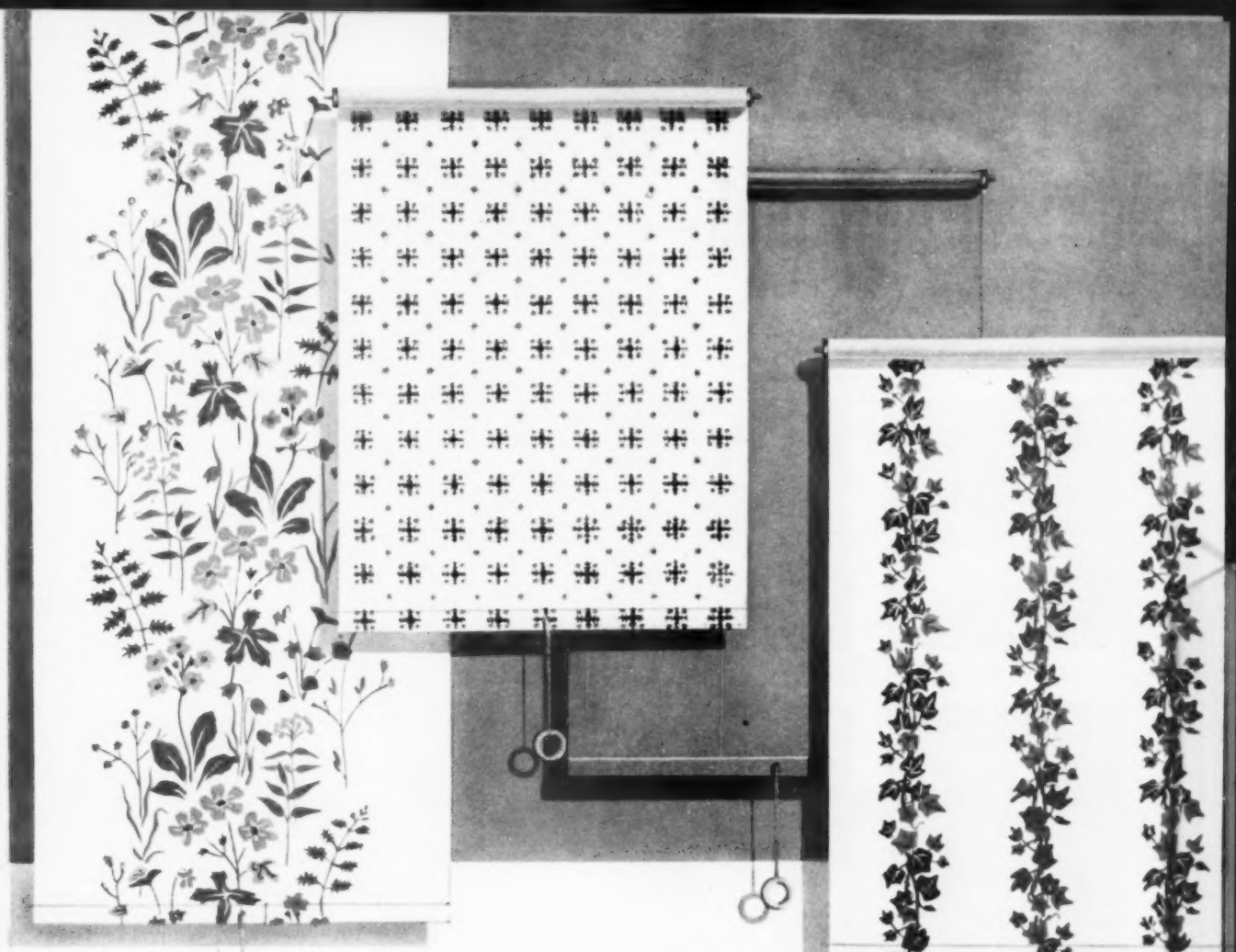

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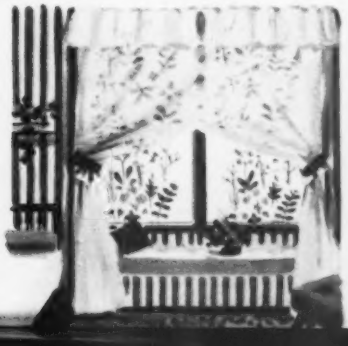

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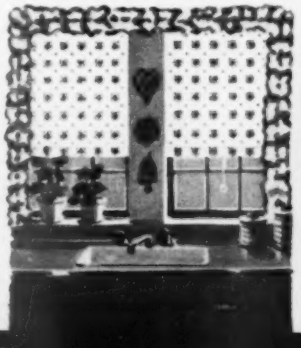

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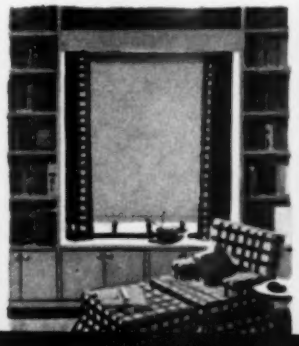

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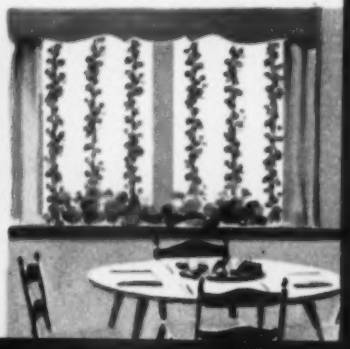


A new look—a new life

By Martin Abramson

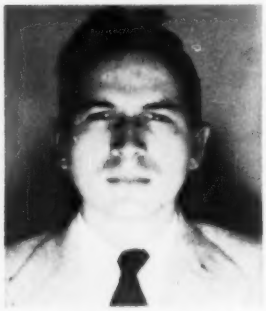
BEFORE

Purple birthmark marred pretty face

AFTER

Electric tattoo made it flesh-colored

A fellow can't hide protruding ears



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The juvenile-court judge ran his fingers through a shock of unruly white hair and moodily studied the 15-year-old delinquent who stood before him, eyes smoldering in open resentment. Henry had been involved in a series of petty thefts, he was a member of a gang of young toughs who had been inciting after-dark terror on the streets of Los Angeles, and his past record plainly indicated that a term behind bars was properly in order. And yet the judge hesitated. There was something unusual about this case. Henry had a remarkably high I.Q. His family was eminently respectable, middle-class, God-fearing. They just couldn't seem to control their son. Why? Well, nobody could be sure, but the social worker's report was on the judge's desk and it contained repeated references to Henry's ears.

The ears in question jutted out precipitately from Henry's head and always seemed to be flapping over. The social worker had discovered that Henry was oversensitive about his ears, that any reference to them would drive him into paroxysms of blind rage. The judge took another close look at Henry's ears—and then decided on a unique course of action. He placed the young delinquent on probation to Dr. Robert A. Franklyn, well-known Los Angeles plastic surgeon.

I was in the surgeon's office when Henry came in for the first time. The boy had a sullen swagger and a baleful look in his eye. Doctor Franklyn merely smiled, questioned him briefly, then proceeded to sketch a drawing on a large pad. "This is a rough idea of how you'll look when we've finished with you," he said. The boy peered at the sketch and the hostility in his manner suddenly disappeared. A week later, I came in to look at the new Henry and was startled at the change in his appearance. Henry's ears no longer jutted out—they looked no different from any normal pair of ears. This single change in his appearance made him look almost handsome. After chatting with him for a while, it was obvious that he had experienced a corresponding change in his mental outlook. But after all, the psychological wounds had been festering underneath the surface for years. Was this only a superficial change of manner? [*Turn to page 156*

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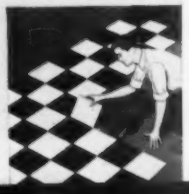

A new look—a new life

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BEFORE

Her hooked nose made her unhappy

AFTER

Here's result after simple operation

It turned out that it was not. A few months later, I was privileged to read another social worker's report on the case, prepared for juvenile-court records. "Henry gives evidence that he will never be a problem for the courts again," the report read. "He's living in a new neighborhood, has a new group of friends, seems to be popular in his group, and is comparatively happy at home. He appears to have lost entirely the old feeling of inferiority about his ears which drove him into seeking out acquaintances of dubious character, because he felt they were the only persons who would associate with him on an equal plane. . . ."

As long ago as 2500 B.C., the ancient Hindus in India dabbled in crude reparative surgery for burned or mutilated faces. Plastic surgery, therefore, is one of the oldest forms of medical practices. It is only in recent years, however, that psychiatrists and psychologists have come to understand fully and to emphasize the manner in which it can help millions of "average" Americans to find release from emotional disturbances. More and more, they have come to realize that many neuroses stem purely and simply from a malformed facial feature. If the person affected is extremely sensitive, the barrage of ridicule to which he may be subjected can even lead to great disaster. *New Faces—New Futures,* the first book in any language devoted to the psychological aspect of facial disfigurements, was written by Dr. Maxwell Maltz, former president of the American Society of Plastic Surgeons. In it, the author cites the tragic case of Theodore Hofman, a young student at Washington University of St. Louis. Hofman committed suicide on the campus one evening because he felt he no longer could live with his "Cyrano de Bergerac" nose.

"I've been abused and mistreated because of my long nose ever since I was a child," Hofman wrote in a farewell note. "The more my playmates saw how I was offended when they ridiculed me, the more they harangued me. When I finally got to college, I thought the ridiculing would stop, but even my best friends on campus keep making sarcastic remarks about me. Maybe they don't mean any harm, but I just can't stand it any more. . . ."

From an analysis of cases like Hofman's, most plastic surgeons have come to the conclusion that facial deformities should be treated in childhood, whenever possible. This is supported by a recent survey by Dr. Anna Brind, a consulting psychologist on the staff of the American Institute of Family Relations, to determine the effect of facial blemishes on the personality of children. Doctor Brind studied the cases of 180 children who were suffering from personality disorders and who had some kind of facial disfigurement. Her analysis showed that in 85 percent of the cases, it was the facial defect which was the principal cause of the children's disorders. "We all know that children are often unwittingly the cruelest of all people," said Doctor Brind. "If they find that one of their playmates has a facial characteristic which seems to set him apart from the others, there's no end to their taunting and teasing. Usually, the victim reacts in one of two ways: He may shy away from normal contacts, or he may mask his frustrations by trying to hit back and becoming a bully. In time, he may become completely neurotic about his appearance."

Striking new advances that have been made in plastic surgery techniques in recent years have brought fresh hope to families bedeviled by problems arising from facial malformations. New techniques and instruments devised during World War II—when surgeons were under great pressure to repair the shattered faces of airmen

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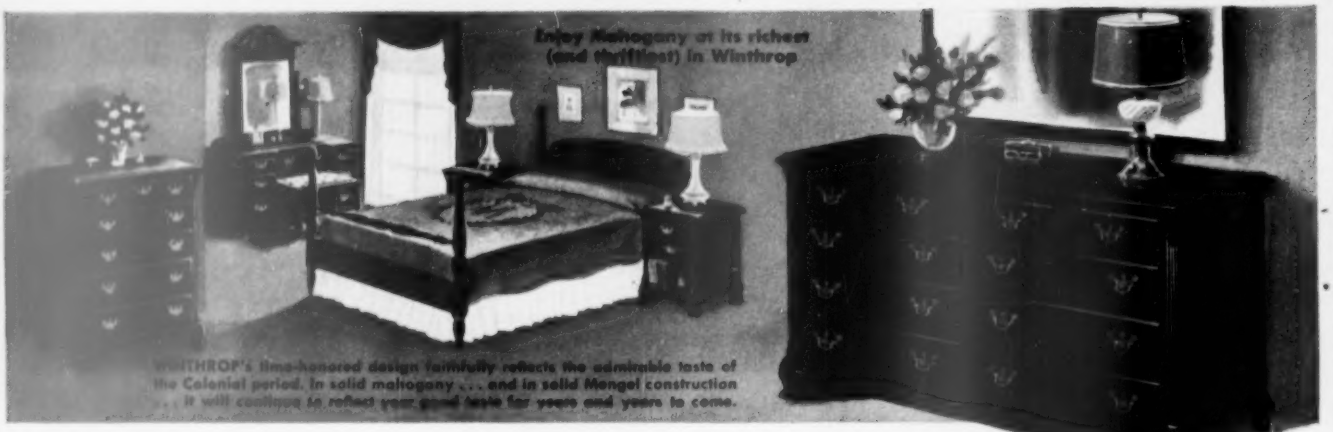

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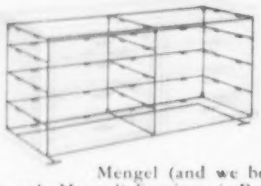

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3. Make sure that curtain rods and hardware are smooth. To prevent snags when putting curtains on rods, cover the leading end of the rod with cellulose tape.

4. Don't let your curtains blow against screens, sills, or furniture. They'll soil quickly and may become snagged.

5. Don't push your sofa or other furniture against sheer curtains at the window. The rubbing may wear on the fabric or soil it.

6. Mend curtains as soon as they are torn. Never launder a torn curtain until it's been mended.

7. Alternate curtains from side to side and window to window so they will wear and fade evenly. Some curtains may be turned upside down so the hem is at the top!

8. Remove stains at once. The longer a stain remains on fabric, the harder it is to take out. Any stains should be removed separately before a curtain is washed.

9. Take curtains down and shake them often to remove loose soot and dust. Or vacuum them with your brush attachment. Treated this way, curtains will stay clean longer, be easier to launder.

10. Launder your sheer curtains as soon as they need it. Once curtains are heavily soiled, harsh washing is required to get them clean. If dirt lies in the fabric too long, it will rot the fibers.

HOW TO KEEP CURTAINS FRESH

Cleaning instructions vary with every kind of curtain. Your best guides are labels that accompany good ready-mades and the advice of a salesperson. (File this information. You'll want it when curtains need cleaning.) Here are some general cleaning rules.

Cotton. Open-weave curtains like lace, scrim, or marquisette should be measured before washing because you'll want to dry them on a stretcher. Include ruffles in your measurements.

Wash cotton curtains by hand with mild soap or detergent in soft, lukewarm water. Squeeze water gently through the material, using several sudsings if curtains are extra soiled. Fragile curtains will be safe if you slip them into an old pillowcase before you wash them. Most white cottons are safe in a mild solution of household bleach. Rinse thoroughly and squeeze, don't wring. Roll in a Turkish towel to remove excess moisture.

Permanent-finished fabric *should not* be starched. But cotton organdies and marquisettes which do not have permanent finishes *should* be starched. Starch fine muslin and voile only lightly, if at all.

Muslins and organdies can be hung over a taut clothesline until damp-dry for ironing. Open weaves should be placed on a stretcher unless the label tells you otherwise. If you are stretching ruffled curtains, pleat ruffles onto stretcher pins. Remove curtains from stretcher when slightly damp and press.

Always move iron up and down, not across a curtain. Iron lace and flock-dotted curtains on the wrong side.

Rayon. Squeeze sheer rayon curtains through mild, lukewarm suds. Do not use bleach or starch. Most manufacturers advise against stretching rayon curtains. If you do use a stretcher, handle the fabric carefully because wet rayon tears easily. When curtains are only slightly damp, press with a moderate iron. Iron lengthwise until completely dry.

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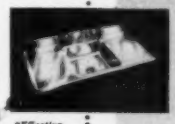

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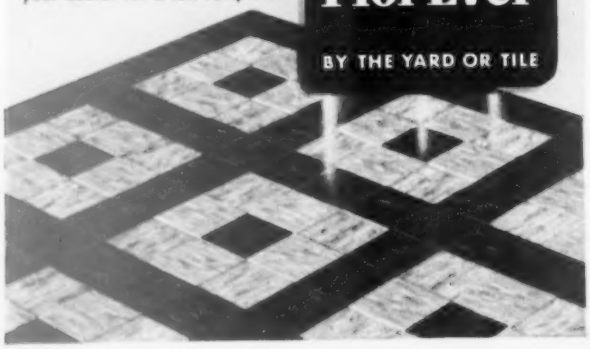

What's wrong with

1 **"How about joining us, Ed?** We could use a fly-casting expert." Ed Colby runs into a couple of his friends at the hardware store. They're planning a two-week fishing trip. "Sorry," says Ed. "I promised Fran I'd drive her and the kids to see her folks in Kansas."

2 **"I heard about the fishing trip**—maybe you'd rather not go to Kansas," says Frances, discussing plans with Ed, who conceals his real choice. Ed says, "We've always taken family vacations. People might think we're drifting apart if we take separate vacations."

this family?

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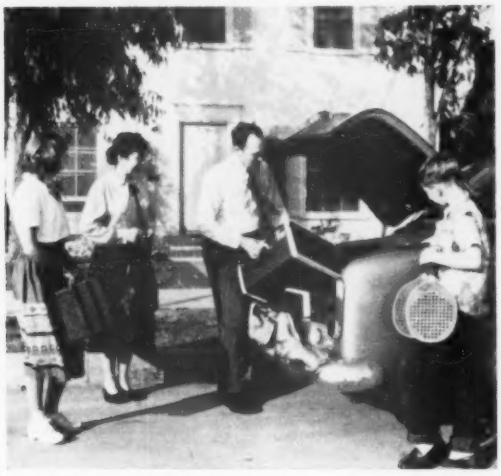

3 **"Ed, I've thought it over,"** says Frances. The car is half-loaded and Ed is anxious to get on the road. "It would be good for you to take that fishing trip with the boys, and it's still not too late. The children and I can manage by ourselves—at least this once."

Photographs: Harriet Arnold

4 **"Ed, you've got a bite;** pull 'er in." But instead of enjoying himself, Ed's in deep and troubled thought. *Did Fran really want me to make this trip? Did I selfishly desert the kids? Isn't a family vacation best, even if it's less fun for me? Will people talk?*

What's wrong with this family?

See page 212 for the answer.

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Pot holders for Mother, Grandmother, Aunt, older sister

Shown how, kids from 5 on love to weave. Finish edges by crocheting loop ends together, as in picture at left, or sew around outer rows, leaving loops as fringe

Materials needed

- Loom for jersey-loop weaving, weaving hook, jersey loops—all available from dimestore
- Large crochet hook

To weave:

1 Stretch loops across the loom from one side to the other, filling all pegs.

2 Push the weaving hook over and under each strand; then catch crosswise loop with hook, draw it through, and fasten on pegs opposite each other.

3 Before removing woven pot holder from loom, finish edges by crocheting peg loops together. Insert hook through loop from one peg to loop next to it; catch this second loop on hook, remove from peg, and draw it through the first one; continue all the way around. As you finish crocheting each side, hook finished edge back over pegs at a few points. This will keep holder taut on loom, and make finishing easier. Draw last loop out far enough so a knot can be made, leaving enough of loop to serve as hanger for pot holder. Pull pot holder smooth; trim off loose threads.

With two or more different-colored jersey loops, your child can get interesting designs in weaving.

Picture book for baby brother or sister

Materials needed

- Cloth scraps, solid color or white, and printed cotton material
- Blunt scissors, old magazines, and greeting cards
- Library paste
- Crayons
- Pinking shears, if available

To make:

1 Cut "pages," all even in size, from plain cotton cloth (sheeting, muslin, or similar scraps). Cut "cover," same size as pages or slightly larger, from printed material. Pinking shears will keep pages from raveling, or pages can be fringed.

2 Stitch pages together, and stitch cover on. Do this by hand, or on the sewing machine. (Mother may have to do this part.)

3 Cut out bright-colored pictures from magazines, and paste on pages, or trace and color pictures on white pages with color crayons.

A 4-year-old giftmaker can make this, with help. Let her try sewing the cover and pages together.

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Tie-dyeing headscarves or luncheon cloths for Mother or sister

Fold a square of material twice, roll tightly, and tie several places with string

Dip center and ends of tied roll in hot dye. String-wound areas won't take color, making design. Vary pattern with different folds

Rinse, iron, fringe edges. Apply clear nail polish at corners to prevent raveling

Materials needed

- 1 yard 36" pastel-colored or white silk material (for scarf) or
- 1 yard 36" pastel-colored or white cotton (for luncheon cloth)
- String
- 1 ten-cent package commercial dye
- Vinegar
- Small pan or coffee can

Directions

1 Designs are made by folding material in different ways and tying with string. Here's one fold to try: Fold square of material across, then across again, to form a square. From folded corner, roll tightly to opposite corner. Then tie roll in several places with heavy string wound closely a number of times and knotted tightly. Experiment with different widths and places for tying.

2 Boil dye in small pan, adding vinegar (5 tablespoons to 1 package of dye). Vinegar makes dye more permanent.

3 Dip ends and center of rolled and tied scarf or cloth in dye, leaving each "dipping" in dye one minute.

4 Rinse well in cold water until water is clear.

5 Wring out as much water as possible, then cut strings, unfold—there's the design!—and let dry until right dampness for ironing. Iron.

6 Now cut selvage edges, and fringe about $\frac{1}{2}$ inch. A dot of clear nail polish at corners will protect fringe from further raveling.

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Finger paintings for Father or Mother

Little sister does impressionistic design after paper has been wet, smoothed flat, and paint spread over surface. Brother cuts frame

Materials needed

- Finger-paint kit (includes paints, special paper, and instructions, and can be purchased reasonably at stationery store)
- Posterboard, for making a frame for the finished painting
- Cellulose tape, paste

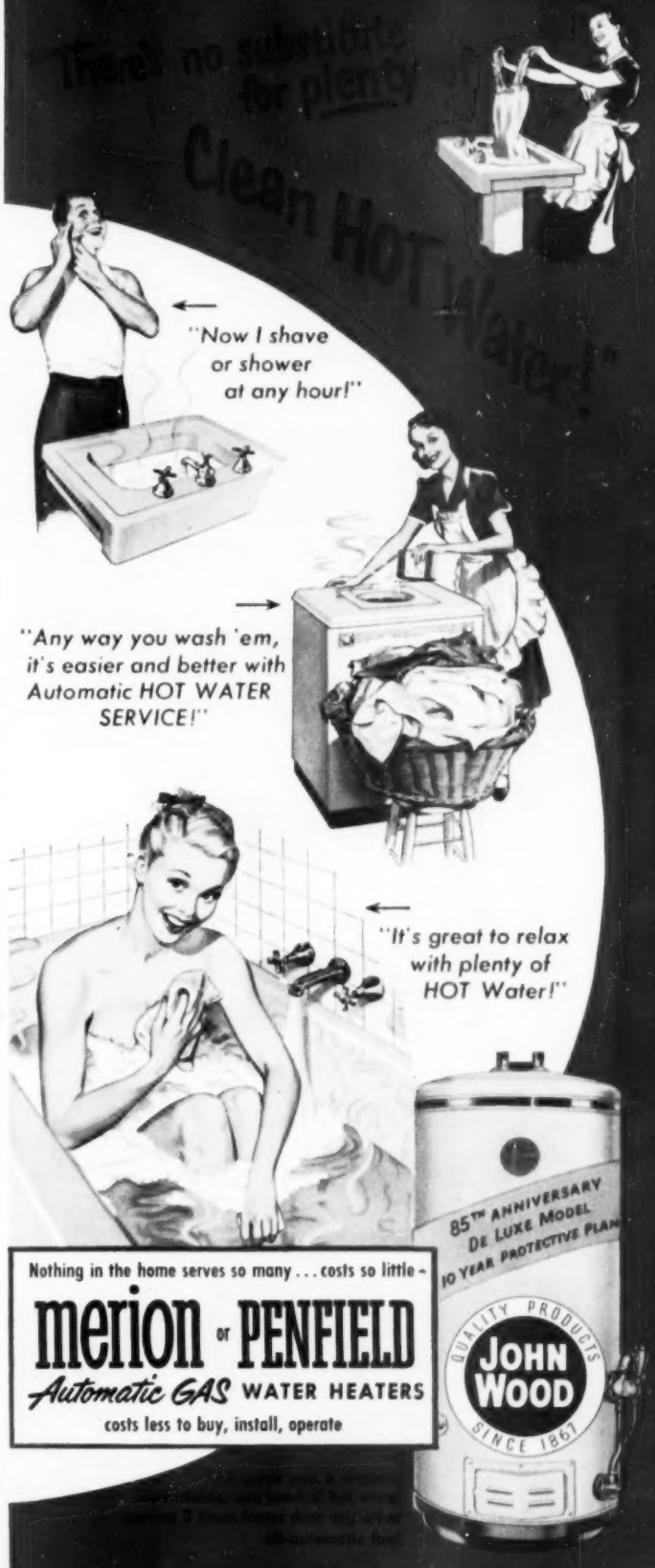
To make:

1 Dip finger-paint paper in water, wetting completely. Spread on flat surface, smoothing out wrinkles.

2 Apply finger paint by hand or with wood spatula. Spread paint over paper, creating design with hands, fingers, even arms up to the elbow. Experiment with wide waves, curlicues, dabbing with fingers. Get sharp lines with fingernails.

3 Allow finished painting to dry thoroughly. If edges curl, Mother or older child should press painting very carefully with a warm iron.

4 Big brother or sister makes neat, inexpensive frame from white posterboard. Cut two pieces the same size, several inches larger than painting. Center painting, face up, on one piece, keeping side margins even, bottom margin slightly wider than top margin. Fasten corners of painting to posterboard with cellulose tape. Cut center slightly smaller than painting from second piece of posterboard—again keeping side margins even, bottom margin slightly wider than top. Use razor blade in holder or sharp knife to cut center, cutting along edge of ruler to make a smooth, even edge. Place over painting; paste to bottom piece of posterboard, or simply secure corners with cellulose tape. To hang, fasten gummed-tape picture hanger on back.



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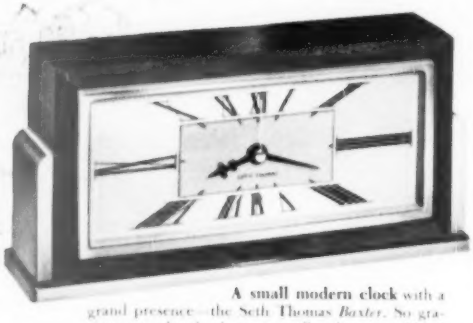

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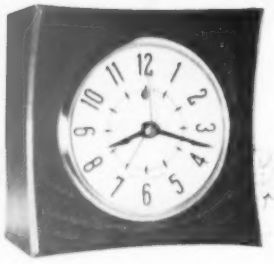

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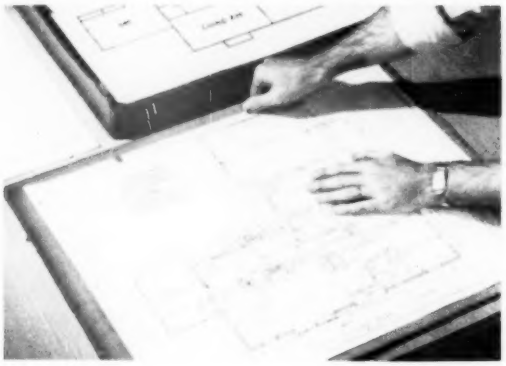
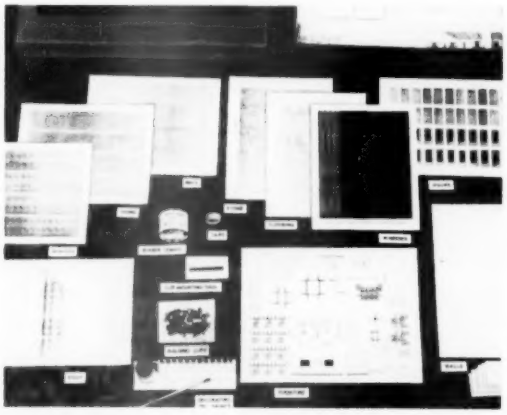
By Helen McCall



See what your house will look like before you build it. Cardboard scale model will be exactly like your plan. Make changes now. Catch mistakes early. It will save you money. Experiment on the model instead of on your house. You will be more satisfied with your new home. Materials for making a scale model are available in kit form. It is easy to build.

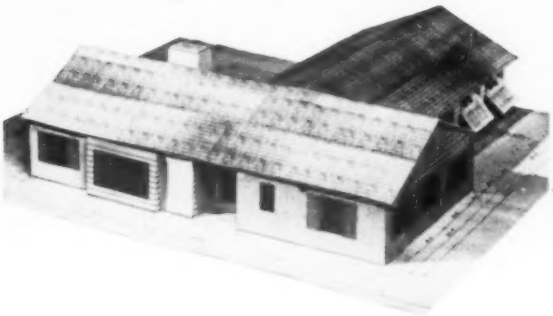
You can use any plan drawn $\frac{1}{4}$ inch to one foot. You can draw a floor plan of your "dream house" and build the model of it. You can copy a floor plan from a magazine or book. You can use blueprints or architect's drawings. In these photographs, we are using the floor plan of *Better Homes & Gardens* Five Star Plan No. 2001.*



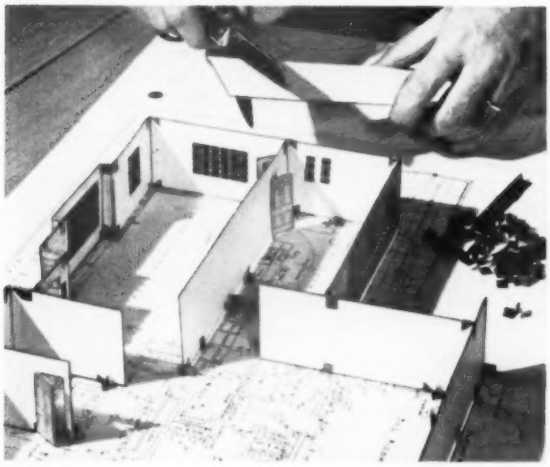
This is the kit for building, decorating, and furnishing a model house. Sheets of $\frac{1}{4}$" paper have printed designs of roof, shingles, siding, brick, stone, flooring, windows, shutters, doors. There are cutouts for 32 pieces of three-dimensional scale furniture and three sets of stairs. Building materials include wall clips and clip-mounting tool; rubber cement; a set of oil-base decorating paints; a sample house plan, and complete instructions for making your model home.

**Building plans of all* Better Homes & Gardens *Five Star homes are available from Meredith Publishing Co., Des Moines 3, Iowa, at $5 per set. For this month's Five Star, see page 62.*

before you build

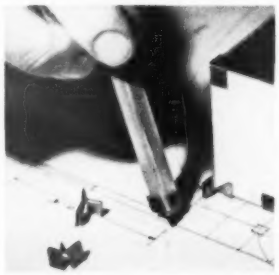


Build a scale model of your house plan



You start building the house. Set it up right on the plan. First, cut the strips of cardboard to make walls. Since the board is scaled at 1/4" per square foot and the drawn plans are too, just cut the walls the same length as the wall lines on the plan. Then mount on the plan lines, holding in place with metal clips. Follow the plan around exactly, making the walls jog where the plan calls for it, setting in doors, windows, fireplace, partitions. When the house is completed, it will be rigid and substantial and can be moved around. You can shift the walls easily to rearrange the plan.

Special metal clips hold your house together. Fit the clip on the end of the angle-iron tool and insert the spike at the intersection of wall lines. Cardboard walls rest snugly in these clips, and the structure is additionally strengthened by clips at top joints. Metal corners will hold walls in the shape of +, L, or T, and can be bent to acute or obtuse angles.



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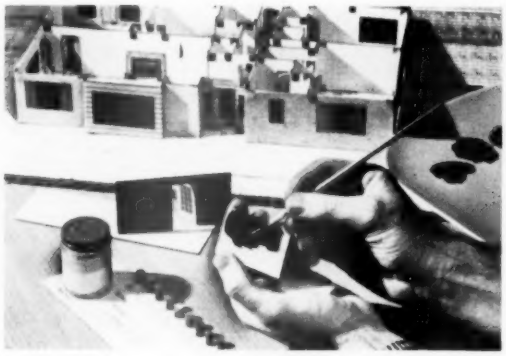
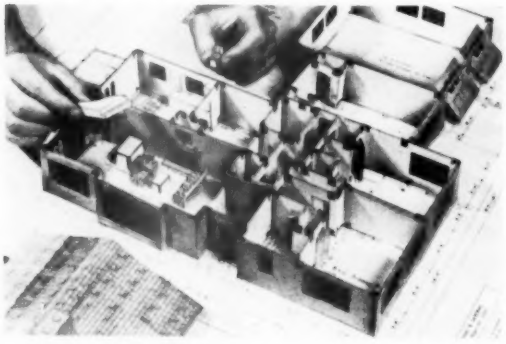
Finish the outside walls by gluing appropriate brick, siding, or stone design to cardboard cut the same size and shape as walls. Then paste down windows, shutters, louvers, doors, for both inside and outside the house. As your plan calls for it, you can use these finishes on chimneys, open terraces, and breezeways. Experiment to get the outside appearance you want in your house.



A palette of 12 oil colors, each packaged in a capsule, and a large jar of white paint, is supplied for you to mix in a variety of shades and use in planning wall colors and interior decoration. Apply the paint to a piece of wallboard which has been cut to the same size as the wall in the model house. The colored wall can be slipped down over the basic wall for trial, then removed and another color scheme tested. The three thicknesses of wallboard give you an accurate measure of actual wall width.



When your house is finished, you can start moving the miniature furniture around and experimenting with your model dream home. Supplies in this kit are adequate to make a model of an average two-bedroom home. Additional parts can be purchased separately. Kit is available at $4.95, which includes shipping charges. Write for the Hoyt Rust Model Home Kit from Hoyt Rust, 173 Marion St., Denver 3, Colorado.

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A small room is no problem

See how this family avoided that cluttered look, and proved it's not the amount of space that counts, but how you use it. Here are simple tricks that "enlarge" even the smallest room

By Marion Winter

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

A background of plain walls and floor gives a feeling of openness to the small living room. The greenery on the mantel carries your eyes upward and relieves plain lines of the panel wall

← A folding screen is used to add to the limited wall space. It's covered in the same pattern used for draperies. When you entertain, move the screen across the opening to hide the dinette completely

Good furniture arrangement is part of a room's success. J. W. Gannaway home, Glencoe, Illinois

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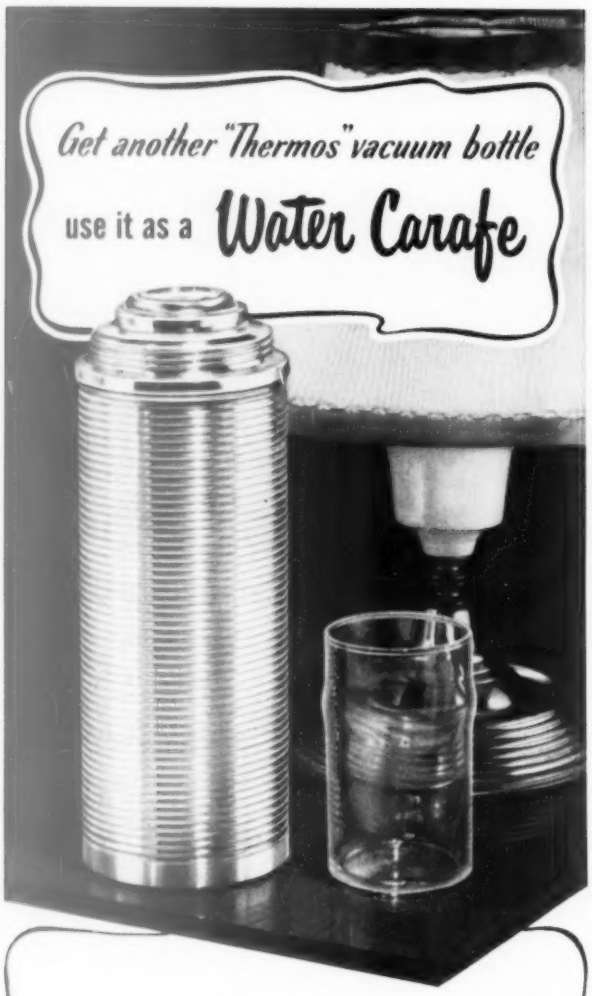

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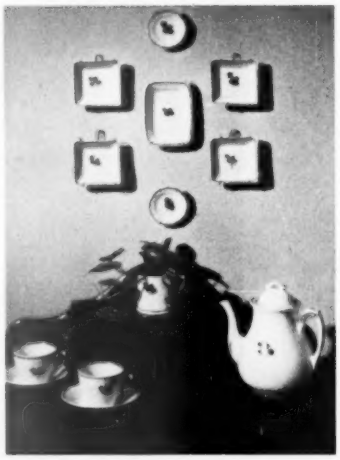
In the kitchen all space is used, too. Even a small area between cabinets and door is put to work.

The drop-down shelf (it's closed here) repeats the peasant-theme drawings of kitchen curtains.

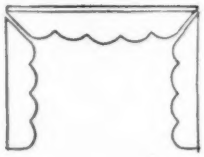
The shelf gives extra work space, a place for quick snacks, or Mother's morning cup of coffee.



Collection of small-scale ironstone china is well suited to add interest to the dinette wall.

Pieces are grouped over a small washstand which is used as a server.

Three sizes and shapes are used together, but hung in a pattern pleasing to the eye. Good use of small scale in a small room.



Curtain swag at the upper half of the small kitchen window is cut in three pieces so pattern will be right side up in side sections. (Sketch shows how pieces are cut.)

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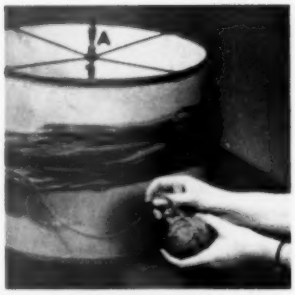

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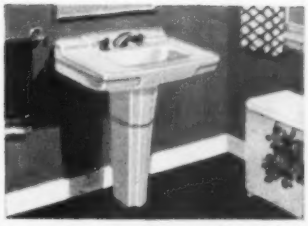

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Smart homemaker

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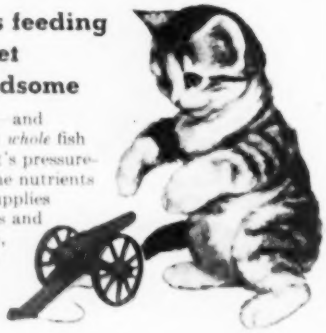

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Your pet and mine

By Russell K. Lowry

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You can prepare your dog for the trip

Denying your dog food for six or eight hours before the ride will lessen the likelihood. He'll have an almost empty stomach. Be sure you air him just before you start your trip. Puppies, unused to car riding, are more susceptible to sickness

Many dogs are prone to car sickness, but the greater percentage overcome it. Here are precautions for you to take until your dog becomes a good traveler

Ease his nerves and relax stomach muscles

Ten minutes before departure, give your dog a 3- to 5-grain sodium bromide capsule. Place it far back in his mouth with your right hand. Hold his muzzle and lower jaw together, *but only partly closed;* this forces your dog to swallow the capsule

Photographs: Harriet Arnold

Most dogs become good car travelers

A box will hold Rover in one spot and protect the upholstery and your clothing. If it's a day's trip, two or three teaspoons of water every three or four hours is plenty. Feed only at the end of the day. Stop so you can exercise him every few hours

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Your pet and mine

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We want to acquire a nice dog for our little boy. Is it true a mongrel is more intelligent or inclined to be healthier than a purebred dog?—Mrs. F. P. C., Ohio.

Both these contentions, widely accepted for some reason, are only fanciful legends, with nothing to support them. If anything, the purebreds are inclined to be superior in brains and physical stamina due to a heritage of better care and closer contact with humans through many generations.

Is there any food rabbits shouldn't have? My son wants to feed them apple peelings and all sorts of things, which seems wrong to me.—Mrs. L. R. S., Oregon.

Rabbits seem to thrive on anything, mainly because they have good judgment and reject harmful foods or items lacking in nutrition value. Cabbage leaves, carrots, lettuce, and other greens are their favorites, but they relish other things, too.

My veterinarian tells me my dog's legs are slightly crooked because of rickets. What causes this?—Mrs. A. G. Mc., Texas.

Rickets is a disease of the bones caused by calcium deficiency, usually occurring in young puppies. Corrective measure is a diet of meat, eggs, milk, cod-liver oil, and powdered calcium gluconate mixed in with the food. Plenty of sunshine is also a help.

What would cause a canary to get sore feet?—Mrs. J. J. D., New Hampshire.

During the breeding season, birds often get nesting material interwoven among their toes, with soft food, sand, and excreta becoming attached to this. Irritation and soreness result. Remove the afflicted bird from its cage, soak the feet in warm water and cleanse with cotton, afterward applying a little petroleum jelly or cold cream.

My cat has ear canker. What causes this?—Miss A. M. C., Missouri.

There are two kinds of ear canker. The most common type is caused by deeply embedded filth, wax, and hair. The other type, which brings on intense irritation, is caused by a parasite. Methods of dealing with each are complicated. Most important thing is to determine type and treat accordingly. Let a veterinarian examine your cat.

What is the best age to start housebreaking a pup?—Miss D.S., Ohio.

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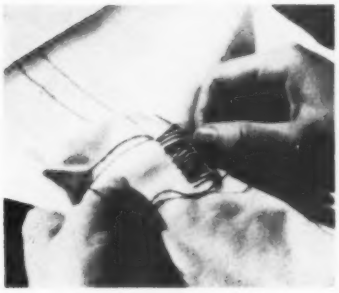
Quick bias tapemaker

By Hazel Carry!

You can put this handy tapemaker together in 15 minutes. And in less time than that, you can slide yards of bias strips through it to make matching fabric tape for binding pockets, neck openings, seams in unlined jackets, and for trim on summer cottons. Here's how to make this sewing aid.

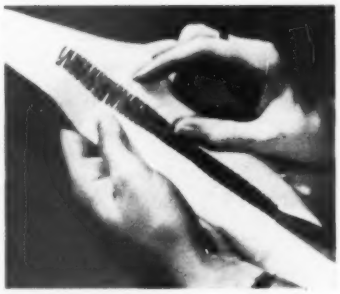
Photographs: Stanley

1 On the center of a 7x12-inch piece of light-colored muslin, draw two 6-inch lines which are parallel and about 9/16 inch apart



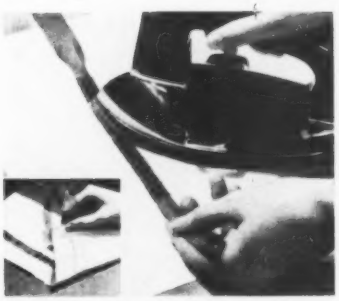
2 Using two strands of dark embroidery floss, sew horizontal stitches from line to line parallelly.

Threads will form a slide through which you can pull the bias strip and make the tape.



3 Cut a bias strip 1 inch wide for making your tape.

Pin a safety pin into one end of the strip. Fold edges of the strip in as you push the pin through the slide formed by the tapemaker threads.



4 Next, pin the tapemaker taut on the ironing board and pull the bias strip through the slide.

The strip edges will fold in easily. Press strip as you pull it through the tapemaker. Results: Well-made, smooth bias tape.

Inset photograph shows other side of tapemaker.

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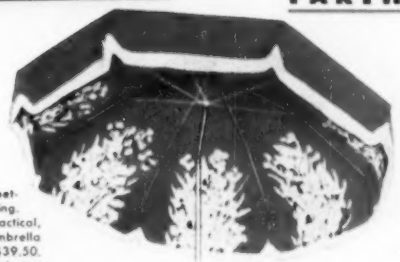

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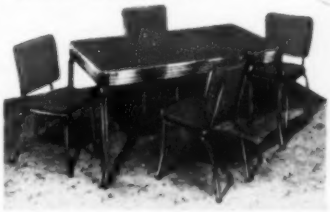

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Let's move out on the porch

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Pink-brick fireplace encourages the barbecue artist. There's a cache at the right for extra logs, and an oven above for warming buns or beans.

Breezeway-porch is paneled in V-groove siding, screened on both ends. Floor is easy-to-clean cement slab.

Maple trestle table, made in home-handyman's shop, is the piece that sells this porch. There's room for a lot of happy guests here.

Windsor bench and chairs are padded with gingham-covered cushions. Harry Knode Home, Houston.

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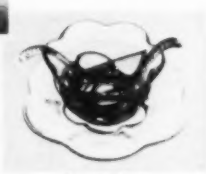

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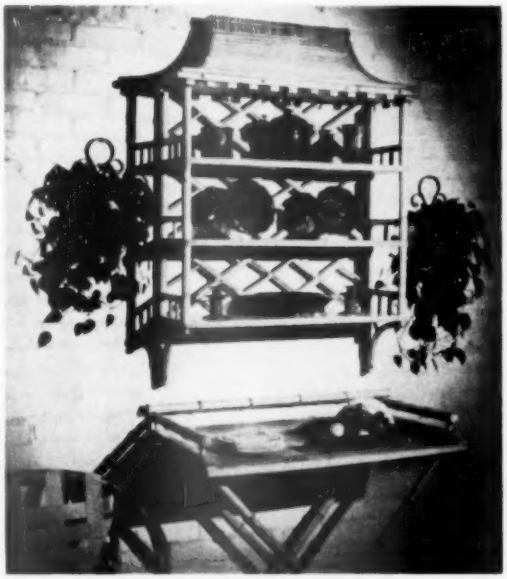
Let's move out on

There's at least one wall on any porch for a handsome arrangement. Here are good ideas:



Bamboo wall shelf, filled with brown pottery, hangs on the wall of the Louis Behr porch, Highland Park, Illinois. Underneath it is a folding tray table—practically a necessity on any much-used porch

the porch

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Two square black serving trays make useful wall decoration. For best breeze, table pulls to middle of porch at mealtime. Cane chairs are mighty cool. The Albert H. Scherb home, Northbrook, Illinois

Let your imagination run when your search for accessories for your porch wall. Here's an idea to consider: a white-wire bird cage, filled with greens growing in water.

Against a white wall, you could paint the bird cage a dark green or black. Place the greens, or your favorite ivy, in a good-sized planter.

Three black-iron holders are filled with bushy English ivy plants for a fresh and pleasing arrangement against this white stucco wall. Small folding tables are a quick and handy way to serve snacks or iced tea. Have several, and you can move them wherever you need them

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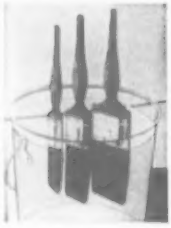
Don't let your brush "fishtail" (see insert) by painting window frame with oversized brush. Use small nylon-bristled brush—one designed for the job.

Use a protecting strip of cardboard or sheet metal when painting near glass. Leave window slightly opened during drying, so it won't stick shut later.



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A new look—a new life

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and soldiers quickly and efficiently—have been adapted for civilian use. Unfortunately, however, the work of the plastic surgeon is still shrouded in so many misconceptions that far too many people fail to seek out the help they need and can easily obtain. Chances are, if you've thought about plastic surgery at all, you have only the haziest idea as to how vital it can be as an aid to child development. A popular theory about this kind of surgery is that it is useful only in extreme cases when faces are hideously pock-marked or smashed up as a result of accidents. The truth is that Henry, the 15-year-old juvenile delinquent, was by no means grotesque in appearance. Neither was Theodore Hofman. Neither are the majority of cases that are treated by the plastic surgeon today. Most of them are victims of common facial defects. But the child or adult with a malformed nose, a birthmark, floppy ears, warts, or extra-thick lips suffers no less psychologically even when he realizes that there are others who are worse off than he is.

If you've read stories in the Hollywood columns about movie actresses who spend small fortunes for nose operations, you are apt to subscribe to another fallacy which insists that plastic surgery is beyond the means of the so-called "average man." Hollywood actresses may pay outlandish fees indeed, since many plastic surgeons charge whatever the traffic will bear. Nevertheless, if your family is in modest circumstances, you can have a plastic operation for your child or yourself for as little as $150. Depending on the individual case, the price range on most types of facial surgery runs from $150 to $500. This is about one-fifth of what the cost was not too many years ago.

A prime reason for the marked reduction in cost is that facial surgery can now be performed in surprisingly short time. A typical plastic operation like the one performed on Henry takes only 30 to 45 minutes. Years ago, it would have run about an hour and a half or even longer. Furthermore, no longer are weeks of hospitalization necessary as they once were. Today, in most cases, an average of one or two days' hospital rest is all that is required. A good many surgeons, in fact, now do minor plastic operations right in the office and use local anesthetics which make the whole process no more painful and almost as simple as a session at the dentist's. Usually, the bandages are removed within a few days after the operation. This procedure has resulted in the surgical wounds healing more rapidly than they did when bandages were left on for a longer period of time.

Sometimes, the plastic surgeon makes a plaster cast of his patient's face, then molds another cast to show how the face will look after the operation. However, in most cases today, no casts are necessary, and the surgeon merely prepares sketches to show you how you're going to appear with your "new look."

Dr. Anna Brind's survey uncovered still another bugaboo about facial surgery. It was found that many parents shied away from taking their youngsters to the plastic surgeon because they were afraid their neighbors would accuse them of being vain. Then there were others who based their refusal on these grounds: "God gave the child this face. It would be a sin for us to change it."

Doctor Brind cites the story of an 8-year-old girl named Eleanor as a case in point. Eleanor was born with a wine-colored birthmark on her left cheek. It didn't take too long before she developed a tragic sensitivity about her face. Her playmates took to calling her "Dirty Face," and mocked her at every turn. After a while, she always walked with her face turned to one side and when people stopped to talk to her, she would instinctively throw up her hand to cover the left cheek. She began to avoid companionship, to sulk in corners. Her teacher regarded her as a dull child because she always sat in the back of the room and never opened her mouth unless she was asked a direct question. In the schoolyard, she would sit apart from her classmates and never took part in any of their activities.

Eleanor's parents were understandably worried but they still clung to the notion that surgery would be almost sacrilegious. Finally, their family physician insisted on their having a frank discussion with the minister. It was the minister who finally convinced them that there was nothing pagan about correcting facial blemishes.

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In minutes
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It took me
Half a morn to bake.
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The clatter clattered,
The walls
Are finger-marked and
spattered.
In gay abandon,
Gifts are strewn
Throughout
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But I who have aged!!

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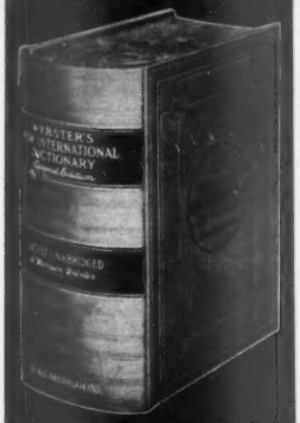

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The tattoo treatment has been used by plastic surgeons with a good deal of success in cases of children born with purplish splotches, and other facial discolorations and birthmarks similar to the port-wine stain. In recent experiments it has been successfully applied to cover up discolorations in the eyes caused by injuries, or by milky patches present at birth.

There have been no radical changes in the treatment of burns, and when part of the flesh on the face has been seared away, it is still necessary to graft skin onto the face from another part of the body. The stitching process has been so refined, however, that when the operation is completed no scar can be detected.

If you are thinking about plastic surgery for your child, you might wonder exactly how facial incisions can be made without leaving the

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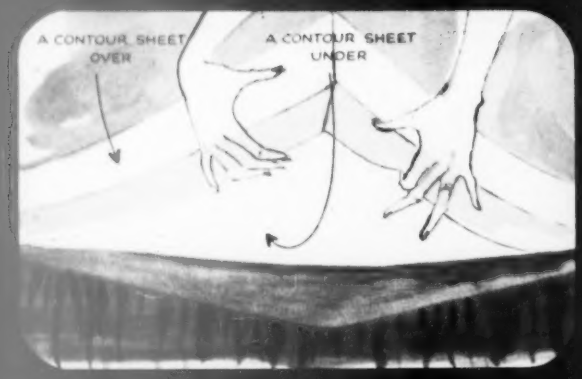

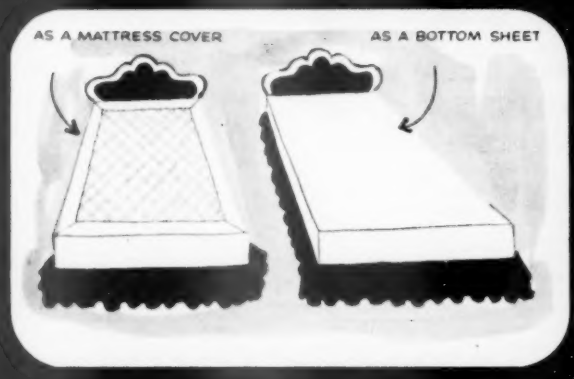

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A new look—a new life

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telltale marks of operating scars. The explanation is that the operations are invariably performed on the inside.

The most common plastic operation is one performed on the nose, to correct congenital deformities or those caused by accidents or disease. The modern method of nose operations was developed by Dr. Jacques Joseph in Berlin and later perfected by Dr. Pomfret Kilner of Oxford University, England, Dr. Maxwell Maltz of New York, and Dr. Robert Franklyn in Hollywood. The surgical technique involves an incision inside the nostrils and through the mucous membrane. The latest type of scalpels and cutting instruments which are now in use are quite small and exceedingly delicate.

In the case of a "humped" nose, the surgeon cuts away the abnormally developed gristle and bone which has formed the hump, removes some excess tissue, and then replaces the membrane covering the hump, which has been partially detached. The skin will normally contract to fit the new shape of the nose. The entire operation should be completed in about 30 to 45 minutes.

A downward protrusion of the wall separating the nostrils will cause a hooked nose. The "hook" is eliminated by removing a wedge of excess tissue from underneath the surface of the septum. The tip of the nose is then raised slightly and is held in place by two internal stitches. Both hooked and humped noses often make it difficult for a person to breathe properly, so that a plastic operation not only improves the facial feature but aids the breathing process.

Long noses—the "Cyrano de Bergerac" type which drove Theodore Hofman to a tragic suicide—can be remodeled by shortening the septum and then tilting the nose up slightly into an attractive line. The bridge of the nose is then narrowed to fit the new proportions. Depressed or "saddle" noses are caused when the wall between the nostrils fails to grow properly. In these cases, the nose has to be "built up" into normal proportions. One method of doing this is to transplant cartilage, often from one of the ribs in the body. A new form of treatment, however, which can be done more quickly and at less expense, is to build up the nose by inserting a pie-shaped implant made out of plastic. Plastic implants are also being successfully used to "build up" receding or "rabbit" chins. The implant fills out the chin to normal proportions.

Plastic operations on the ears sometimes frighten parents because they are afraid of possible injury to the child's hearing. Actually, the surgeon's scalpel does not come anywhere near the area that receives the sound. Jutting ears—or "donkey ears"—are considered by many people to be a sign of stupidity and while there is no scientific proof whatever to support this contention, superstitions die hard and cause psychological torments. In many cases, the ears are not really overlarge but appear that way because of their position. All that is necessary for the surgeon to do is to make an incision in the back of the ear, through the cartilage. By placing a stitch in such a way that the ear folds back toward the head, in a sort of hinge effect, the appearance of the ear—and the entire face—is changed radically for the better.

When the ears are actually overlarge, a small area of gristly tissue is removed from underneath the skin. Then a piece of skin behind the ear is removed and the ear is pulled back to the head.

In the rare cases in which a child is born without an ear, a new treatment for "growing" ears has been developed. This is necessarily a long and complex process and involves the removal of cartilage from a rib to form it into an ear base in a plastic mold. The mold is then inserted in the abdomen until the cartilage is linked together by tissue-building cells. Then this basic ear is finally removed and planted on the side of the head in normal ear position but underneath the skin, which adheres to the cartilage and forms the skin of the new ear.

At one time, a child born with a harelip was often forced to resign himself to a lifetime of emotional misery. Today, the chances for a complete eradication of this facial deformity are excellent. A harelip is caused when one part of the up-

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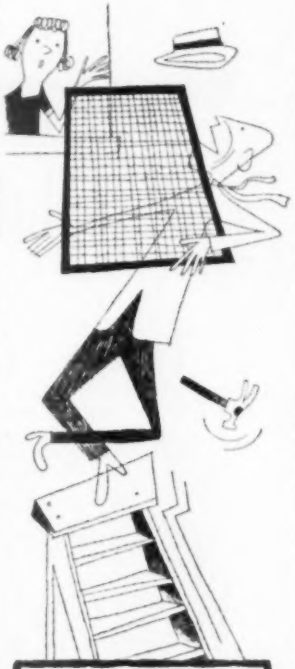

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Starting with the basic desire to encourage their two daughters to entertain at home, the [*Turn to page 194*

BEFORE

Glazed sunroom with its permanent card-table set, easy chairs, and books, was too crowded to relieve the strain on the living room when the Hammermans entertained.

Their two daughters needed a room of their own for entertaining their friends, also.

AFTER

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Since room is for study as well as play, Architect James B. Duncan provided for book and magazine storage. Two-drawer pedestal and desk move out for a crowd. Card table has its own corner. Ceiling spots light activity centers; and the cornice conceals soft general light

# of space count

By Josephine Woods

BEFORE

First floor had narrow, heated sunroom, and back of it, an equally narrow porch.

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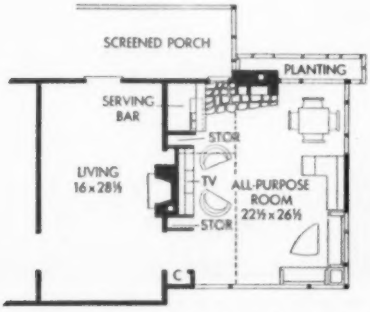

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In the days of big attics, full basements, and tag ends of space in between, orderly living wasn't a problem. Anything you didn't need right now, you stashed away.

Then, as homes began to shrink in size and hired housekeeping help became unavailable, unorganized "extra" space was an early casualty.

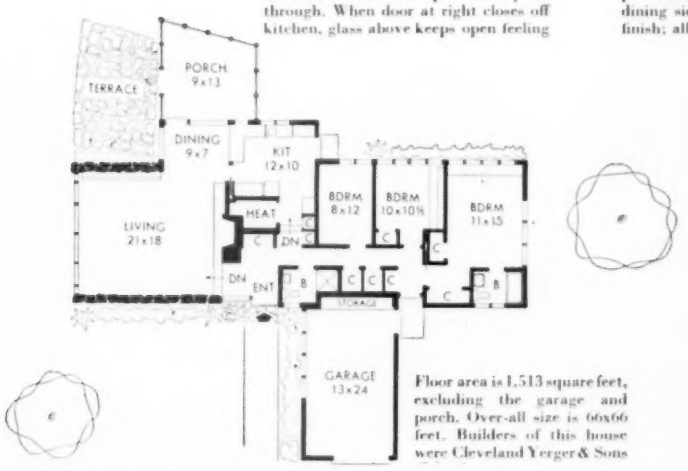
Designers began concentrating on packing full-time use into all-enclosed space, engineering built-in storage units for specific day-to-day essentials of family living. And families, willingly or not, cooperated by sloughing off the accumulations of years.

With fewer possessions to care for, housekeeping became progressively easier. The absence of clutter made the small homes seem larger. This visual spaciousness was furthered by an increasing simplicity of design, and by the use of large areas of glass.

The house of Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Applebaum in Meadowbrook, Pennsylvania, [*Turn to page 198*

In partition between dining area and kitchen, center door opens to a pass-through. When door at right closes off kitchen, glass above keeps open feeling

This is kitchen side of partition cabinet. Note depth of serving counter to pass-through cabinet. It permits tray storage below, good buffet storage on dining side. Plywood cabinets have a warm, easy-to-whisk-clean natural finish; all shelves are low enough to be easily reached, completely usable



Floor area is 1,513 square feet, excluding the garage and porch. Over-all size is 66x66 feet. Builders of this house were Cleveland Yerger & Sons

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Simple fireplace and small-scale furniture contribute to flowing spaciousness. Sloping ceiling continues into dining area in background; screened porch and woodland beyond. Obviously there is no need for lights at noon in this house

With the vista this room has, it seems far more spacious than its 18x21 feet. End wall of glass puts no shackles on your vision; sloping ceiling with exposed beams adds to illusion. Side walls have high bands of narrow ventilating windows

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demonstrates a highly successful blending of such trends by Architects Berninger, Haag, and d'Entremont. How does it work? Mrs. Applebaum reports:

"We thought of countless things, large and small, stored in our previous home. The draperies that were almost new, the long window-seat cushion, the scatter rugs, the boxes of trimmings from garments of past years, cartons of sundry items from earlier sewing days. Inherited cut glass and ornate vases. Pictures, books, magazines never caught up with. Even a violin.

"It wasn't until we mulled over the architect's blueprints that we were convinced our most urgent job was to rid ourselves of these trappings once and for all. When the moving van rolled up the driveway of our newly completed home, we launched a ruthless offensive. We set up one criterion — will we use this object *this month?* If not, no matter how valuable, it landed on the giveaway heap. The only exception was our luggage; it was clear we would not be traveling this month.

"Of course, no matter how severely you purge your belongings, you must have storage space. The point is this: By cutting storage space to a minimum, you provide maximum living space, and the less room you have to put things, the more discriminating you will be when you lay things away.

"Our architect, too, queried, 'What about storage space?' Amid echoes of our many cautionary advisers — 'Be sure you have enough closets!' — we came through with nine of them. With a small but accessible attic over two bedrooms, they were adequate for our basic storage needs. The built-ins elsewhere in the house have helped enormously to make our essential belongings fit into a minimum of space.

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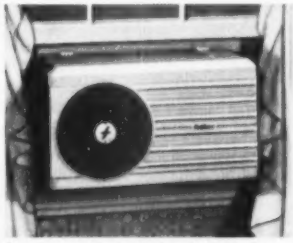

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The Family Car

Engine tune-up

Not the $1.98 special but a complete check of compression, ignition, carburetion, and a road test is the best "bargain"

By Robert L. Rosekrans

Most automobile mechanics regard a periodic engine tune-up as the most important step in the care of your car. Tune-up is actually the adjustment of the assemblies, such as the carburetor, distributor, and spark plugs.

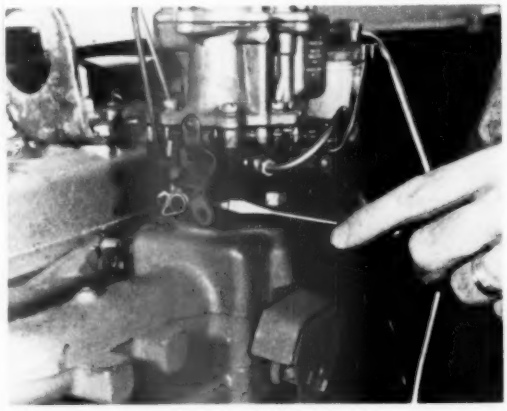
Mechanics have found that regular tune-up means top engine performance. This means better fuel mileage, less engine wear, and greatly reduced repair bills.

Are all tune-ups the same? The answer is *no*. Definitely not. Some highly advertised tune-up jobs consist of little more than changing the oil and filling the radiator. To insure good service at the going rate, take your car to a reliable garage.

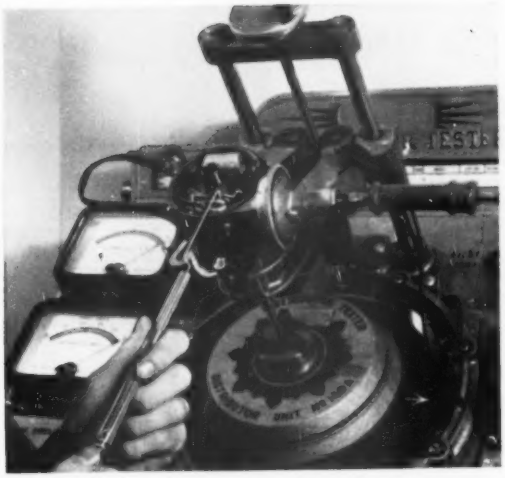
In most modern garages, a complete engine analysis precedes any adjustment work by the mechanic. The use of good testing machines has become almost standard practice in diagnosing the need for repair or replacement of parts on a modern, complex automobile. Of course, there are still a few expert mechanics who diagnose and adjust with a trained ear and a delicate touch, but you'd better know your man before you entrust your car to him.

Here are points most good tune-up operations cover:

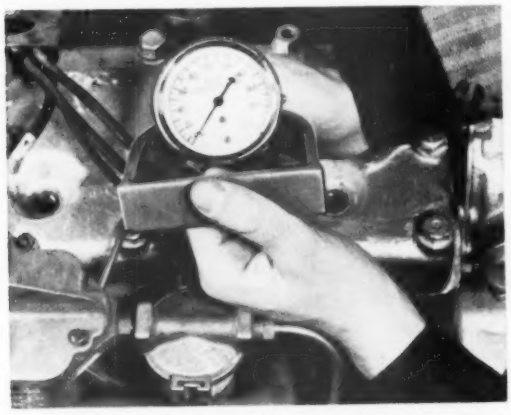
Battery. One of the first items to be checked is the condition of the battery. With use, it loses its ability to hold a charge. If battery terminals are [*Turn to page 202*



Carburetor adjustment may save you the price of a tune-up through fuel economy. It may need only a thorough cleaning. Your mechanic will clean dirt and sediment from the fuel strainer. If some parts are worn, overhauling or replacement is economical in the long run



Distributor spring tension test tells whether points will have proper gap, give good ignition. You should have the breaker points inspected for burning and pitting. Cap and arm should be checked for dampness, burned spots, cracks, and dirt—and cleaned if it is necessary



Compression test is made on each cylinder—spark plugs removed. If it shows that engine compression is uniform, within 10 pounds, your engine can be tuned. Otherwise an overhaul of engine is recommended. After repairs, compression check should be made again

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Spark plugs should be removed, cleaned by sandblasting, tested under pressure, and regapped according to factory specifications. Poor engine performance is often caused by plugs of the wrong heat range. Condition of plugs is a good indicator of engine condition

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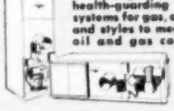

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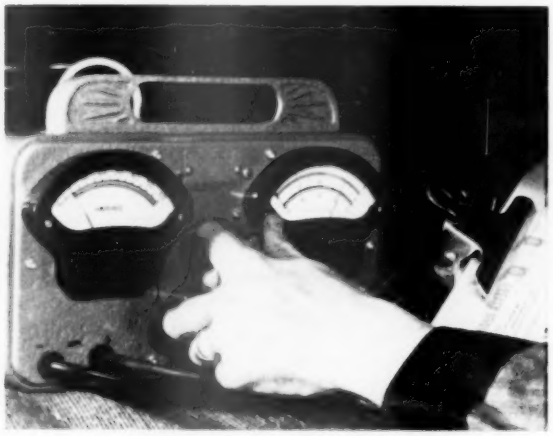
corroded, they should be cleaned and tightened. Battery carriage and hold-down clamps should be in good condition.

Fan belt. Service of this unit is relatively simple, but often neglected. Tension of the belt is important. If the belt is too tight, it will wear out quickly, and cause excessive wear on the fan and generator bearings. A loose belt will slip and wear fast. It may be at least partially responsible for engine overheating and loss of generator output.

Push against fan belt every 5,000 miles to check tightness. Give it a light push halfway between generator and fan or generator and water pump. Belt should push in $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ of an inch in 3- or 4-pulley system, 1 to $1\frac{3}{4}$ inches on 2-pulley system.

Generator. If the charge rate is too low, the mechanic will set it up so that it is sufficiently high to keep the battery charged. If the charge rate is too high, he'll reduce it. With the system voltage too high, units such as lights, distributor points, and other assemblies may be damaged.

Spark plugs. Most mechanics are careful to keep plugs identified with their cylinder [*Turn to page 204*



Generator's chief job is to keep the battery fully charged at all times. Its output is checked by using a voltmeter.

A generator can be adjusted to compensate for a heavy electrical draw by the radio, heater, cigarette lighter, and other accessories.

Battery hydrometer test is one of the first checks your mechanic will make when you take your car in for a tune-up.

Unless the battery is fully charged, further tests will not tell the true condition of your car's engine. Average life of a battery is two years.

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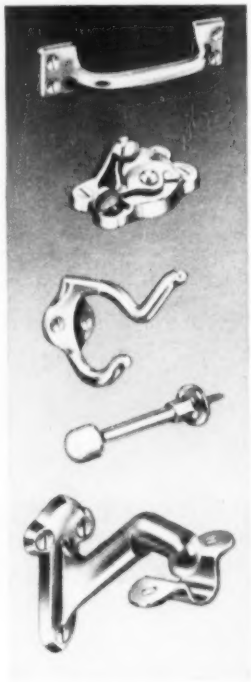

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location so that they can follow up on repairs indicated by plug condition. A sooty plug indicates that the heat range of the plug isn't high enough. A badly burned plug indicates that the plug should be replaced with one having a cooler heat range. A "wet" or oil-coated plug shows that the motor is pumping oil.

Compression. If engine compression is uniform, within 10 pounds, your engine can be tuned successfully. After the engine is warm, the mechanic removes the spark plugs. Then he places a compression gauge successively in each spark-plug hole. By turning the engine over until the compression gauge shows no rise, he can record the compression of each cylinder.

A high compression reading indicates that there is an unusually heavy deposit of carbon on the piston and combustion chamber. A low compression reading could be due to either bad rings or valves. To pin the condition down to either rings or valves, the mechanic pours a tablespoon of oil in the cylinder to seal the piston rings. Then he repeats the compression test. If the reading rises, the trouble is apparently due to bad rings or, in some cases, scored pistons or walls. If the oil does not change the reading, then it may be the valves.

After all repairs or adjustments brought out by the engine analysis have been made, the compression test is again made to insure that the work performed by the mechanic has actually improved the engine performance.

Distributor. As the name indicates, this unit distributes the spark from the coil to the plugs at the proper time, and in the proper order. When you realize that the distributor points, on the average 6-cylinder car, open and close 150 times per *second* when the car is going 60 mph, you can readily understand what a precision instrument the distributor is, and how important it is that it function properly.

Since the vacuum and the centrifugal advance have a decided effect upon performance and economy, they should be checked on a distributor tester as a part of every tune-up job.

Carburetor. The job of the carburetor is to get the right mixture of gasoline and air to the engine. Carburetor speed and mixture adjustments should be made only when the engine is thoroughly warmed up and running at 450-500 rpm. If the carburetor jets are corroded or the whole carburetor needs overhauling, it is often cheaper to install a rebuilt carburetor. Most garages offer rebuilt carburetors on an exchange basis.

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Fuel pump. In all fuel systems, the fuel pump and the carburetor are a team. The pump has the job of maintaining a constant supply of fuel at a specified pressure to the carburetor.

Mechanical failure of the fuel pump is rare, and suspected cases may be due to other causes, such as water in the fuel. Cleaning the sediment bowl regularly and keeping the fuel tank full, especially in cold weather, will help to eliminate these causes of pump failure. Most car owners who have fuel-pump trouble find that it's more economical to replace the pump with a new or rebuilt unit than to repair the old one. In any event, have fuel-supply lines and fuel quality checked before you authorize a new pump.

Starter motor. Sluggishness or failure here can often be traced to a loose or corroded battery terminal. If the starter fails to turn, the mechanic will usually hold down the starter button for about 15 seconds. Then he will feel all connections in the starter circuit. If one connection is warmer than the others, it indicates resistance at that point. Usually a loose connection, dirt, grease, or corrosion at the point of contact will be the cause of the trouble. Most starter troubles, within the starter motor itself, are caused by dry or worn bearings, or worn or dirty brushes. Your mechanic will check all of these points when tests indicate that the starter motor needs attention.

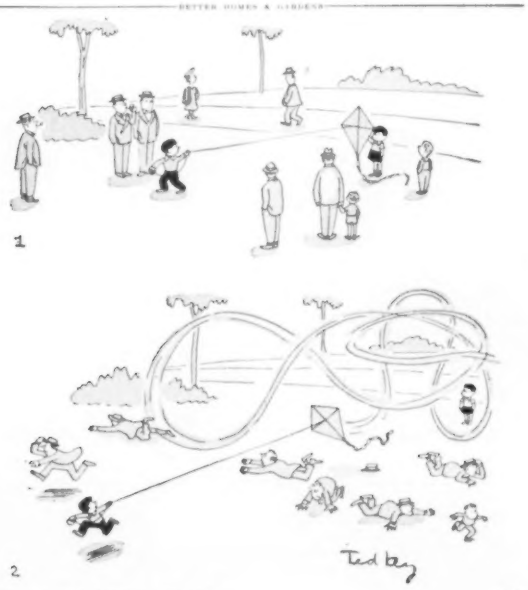
Ignition timing. The distributor contact points must be timed properly so that they will open in proper relation to the piston position in the cylinder. One of the best methods of timing the ignition is with a neon timing light which emits light when electrically energized.

The mechanic attaches it to a spark plug and the battery, and aims it at the flywheel or vibration damper of your car with the motor running. If timing is correct, the flywheel or vibration damper will appear to stand still—with the pointer on the housing lined up with the mark on the flywheel or vibration damper. Adjustments are made by rotating the distributor. While this neon-light method requires some training to operate properly, it is one of the most satisfactory in reaching a "perfect" timing sequence.

Road test. After the final adjustment called for in the engine analysis, another analysis of the checks performed is made "on the floor" to find whether the engine is properly tuned.

Along with this final analysis, a mechanic should road-test your car. He should listen for sounds that indicate needed corrections. He should check all instruments, such as the ammeter, temperature gauge, and the speedometer, for proper performance. He should also check the idle adjustment and the pickup.

How much should an engine tune-up cost? Prices vary across the country and according to the number of items included in the tune-up. However, you can check your itemized bill against the price list shown in the March, 1952, issue of *Better Homes & Gardens*, "How Much Should Car Repairs Cost?" This is a good guide.



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Or lift each plant, in its band, right out of the flat. If you start by taking out a band at a corner, the rest will come easily.

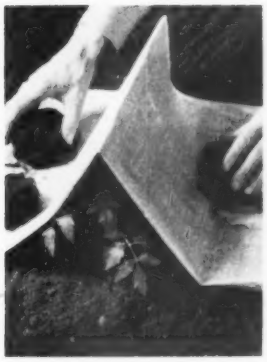
Watch level when you set out plants

Dig planting holes in soil you've spaded and raked. Hold seedling carefully by soil block while you set it in. **Or** if plants are in bands, leave bands on—roots will grow out bottoms. Set tomatoes, most others, lower than they formerly grew; set pansies, pinks, and cabbages at former level. Lower tomato leaves can rest on soil surface

Feeding strengthens newly set plants

Settle soil around roots with cup to pint of starter solution. Dissolve a teacup of regular plant food (4-12-4) or 3 tablespoonfuls high-analysis kind (13-26-13) in 12 quarts water to make solution. **Or** dig hole at least 8 inches deep. Put a small handful of dry plant food in the bottom; cover with an inch of soil *before* setting in the plant

Protect your seedlings from direct sun



Shading from sun helps prevent wilting within the next few days after you transplant. Fold newspapers like pup tents, and hold them against blowing with clods of dirt or stones.

Or use commercially made "hot caps" of waxed paper for more protection from temperature extremes if you transplant very early. Remove cover when it's warm enough for plants to be exposed. To foil cutworms, wrap paper around stems—extend 2 inches into the soil.

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By Joe Congdon

Any mower will operate smoother—and longer—if you clean it after each use, and oil or grease the working parts before each mowing season begins. A reel mower, with blades that revolve inside a frame so they move against a cutting or "shear" bar, usually needs one or more adjustments during the summer to keep it cutting easily and well.

When your mower is new, both reel blades and shear bar are ground so the entire length of each blade is perfectly aligned as the reel turns.

Your most important maintenance tool is a rake—used to rid your lawn of sticks, stones, toys, or clothespins that ram between these cutting edges and rack them out of line. Jam your mower repeatedly, and the blades cut only along part of their length—or the shear bar develops high and low spots. Your lawn will always be ragged, or you'll have to tighten the shear bar until you can hardly push the mower.

For serious damage or major adjustments, you'll need the services of an expert. But these pointers will help you keep down repair bills and lengthen the life of your mower.

Your hand mower responds to regular care

For spring mower tune-up, gather an oilcan, kerosene or turpentine, brush, rags, pliers, wrench, screwdriver.

Take off mower handle. Remove wheel assembly to expose pinion gear, that fits over reel shaft, and pawl, the flat piece of steel that slips back and forth in reel shaft. Note position of bevel of pawl so you replace it properly. Take off roller bearing, if any, from the wheel axle.

Clean inside surfaces and working parts with brush and kerosene, freeing gear teeth of grass. Wipe dry with rag.

Your mower will not roll easily unless you keep it well lubricated at all times.

Apply a light grease to gears in the wheels now, and then again later on during the mowing season.

Oil bearings, if your mower is fitted with them, when you grease mower gears.

running smoothly

It's the lawn that's mowed regularly that grows best, and wins the approval of all who pass. To ease the job, keep your mower sharp and smooth-working all season. Here's how to do it

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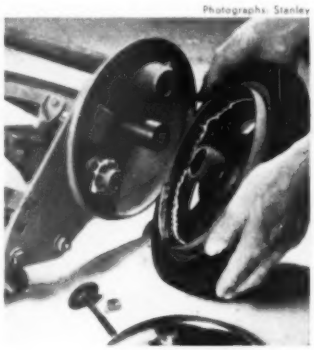

After all inside surfaces are cleaned and lubricated, reassemble your mower.

Slip the pawl through the slot in the shaft, the pinion gear over shaft and pawl.

To keep your mower at peak efficiency, put a few drops of light oil in each oil hole every time you mow.

Most reel mowers have adjusting screws which raise or lower the front edge of the shear bar against the blades.

Loosen the bar at both ends so the reel revolves freely and blades don't touch the bar.

Turn reel so one blade end is over the edge of shear bar. Turn adjusting screw to bring up one end of the bar so it barely touches the blade. Do the same with the other end.

Now revolve the reel as fast as possible. All of the blades should hit the cutting bar evenly and lightly.

Properly aligned and adjusted, a mower cuts paper along the entire length of each of its blades.

Turn the mower over and slip paper between the blades and cutting bar. Revolve the reel and keep feeding paper in as it is cut off.

Tighten screws that hold bar so mower will just cut the paper cleanly, but no tighter.

If one or more blades of the reel are high, the shear bar is pitted, or the frame has been racked out of square, you'll need help of a repairman.

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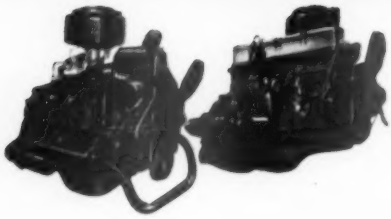

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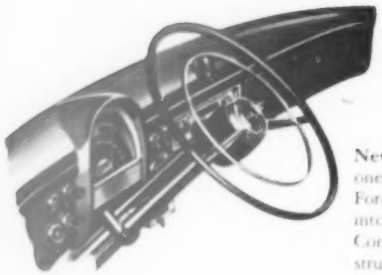

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Keep your mower running smoothly

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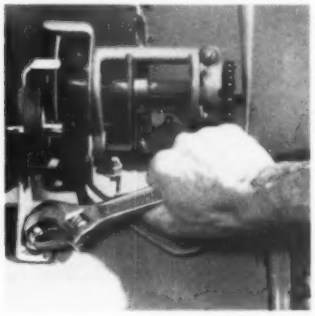
Check these points on your power mower



If yours is a power mower (see "Let Power Save You Garden Work," March *Better Homes & Gardens*), tighten all loose bolts and screws regularly so it doesn't get rattly.

Give particular attention to the countershaft bolts and fittings which hold the engine and the engine platform in the correct position.

Remove the wheels once or twice a year, clean the gears, and apply a coat of ordinary gun grease to wearing surfaces of drive gears.

To keep your machine running smoothly and economically, and to cut down wear, oil moving parts regularly.

Oil countershaft with high-quality No. 20 motor oil.

Use oil of the same viscosity in the crankcase and air filter. Change after every 20 to 25 hours of operation.

Follow specific directions of the manufacturer carefully each time you oil your mower.

Wash the oil-bath air cleaner with gasoline occasionally. Always do this outdoors—or use less-explosive kerosene.

If the cleaner is unusually dusty, change oil in it after every 8 to 12 hours of use.

Wipe your mower clean after each use, and mop cutting edges with an oily rag.

Go over the whole machine occasionally with an oily rag to guard against rust.

Set your mower to cut your grass between 1 and 2 inches long. You can do this by raising or lowering the roller, which usually is held on each side of your mower by bolts.

The mower at right has three possible adjustments. Elevate the shear bar on a block of wood to get weight of mower off the roller. Then adjustment will be easy.

After adjusting to proper height, tighten bracket bolts.

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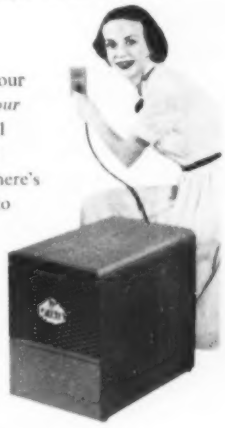

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What's wrong with this family?

See problem, page 160

What's right

Family holidays and recreation are a source of conflict and misunderstanding in many homes. The Colbys show respect for each other's interests, with concern for the family welfare. They display good judgment when they decide that the family doesn't always have to take a "family vacation" to have a good time. Separate vacations can be a refreshing change.

It's a good sign when families feel free enough to let each other know what their real desires are and agree on what they will do.

What's wrong

If Ed feels Frances was just being kind, not expressing her real wish, he has some cause to worry. In that case, it might relieve his mind, and lay a better groundwork for settling future questions of this kind, if they discuss the whole thing when the vacations are over. If they were both miserable, they'll probably plan the usual "family vacation" next year. If Ed is depressed only because he thinks Frances and the children are unhappy, and later learns differently, he may approach the idea of the next fishing trip with less anxiety. He may discover that the children find him more fun because they have been separated.

There is, of course, no pat formula for family vacations. Some families would always be so unhappy about separating that it would spoil a good time for one or all of them under *any* circumstances. The arrangements should be those which provide the maximum satisfaction for all. What people may say when married people take "separate vacations" shouldn't be taken too seriously.

It's a good idea to bring the children into vacation plans. Ed and Frances didn't consult them.

It might be a good thing for Frances to have an occasional rest from the family, too. Maybe that's what is worrying Ed. He may be realizing that Fran saw to it that he got a break from family responsibility, but so far he hasn't been equally considerate of her.

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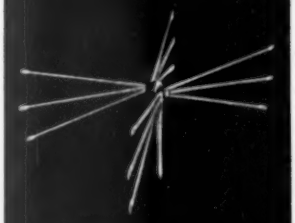

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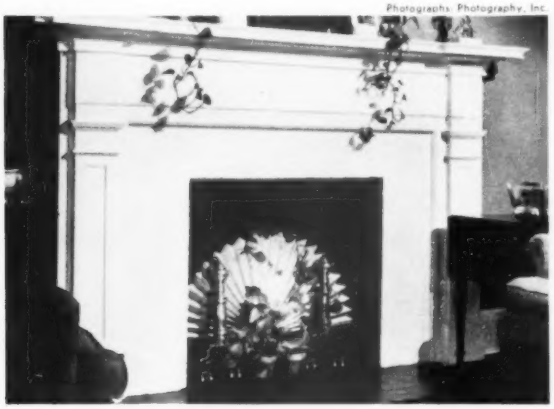

Paper fan teamed with andirons and potted plants brightens bare fireplace. Gold corrugated paper, from a display supply store, was used here. Vines hooked over the top of fan help to soften strict lines

How to make permanent fan

Cut fan about 20 inches deep from a roll of corrugated paper two yards long. Fold fan into accordion-like folds. Use ice pick to make evenly spaced holes through all the folds

Knot end of rubber band; fit other end through head of bobby pin, pull through holes, turn to anchor. Push the stick through bottom of folds

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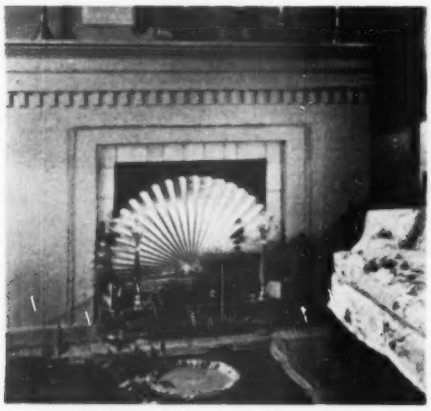

Permanent, professional-looking summer fireplace screen was made from directions on page 213. When you use fireplace, fan is lifted off. Decorator: Mrs. Lila Adams Titley

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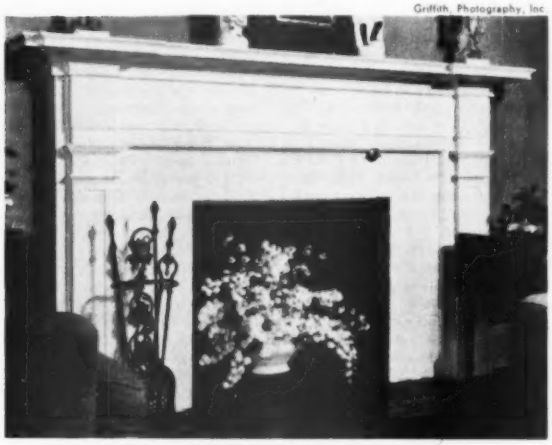
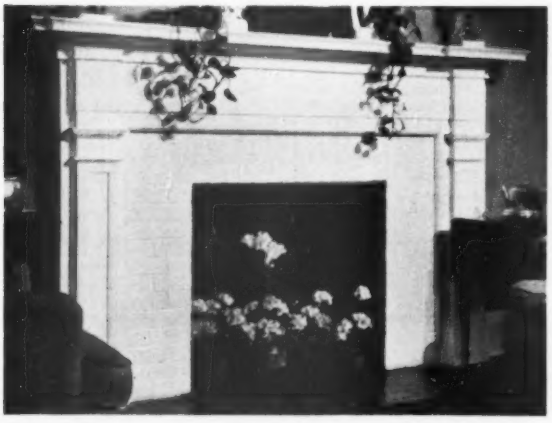


Use your fireplace as a shadow box to dramatize cut flowers. First, blacken inside of fireplace with stove polish—better protect your hands with old gloves. Set arrangement on brick to give it height



Potted plants from your garden are also nice used in "fireplace shadow box." Flowering plants need sun, so can only be used for special occasions. Use ferns and ivies for a more permanent display

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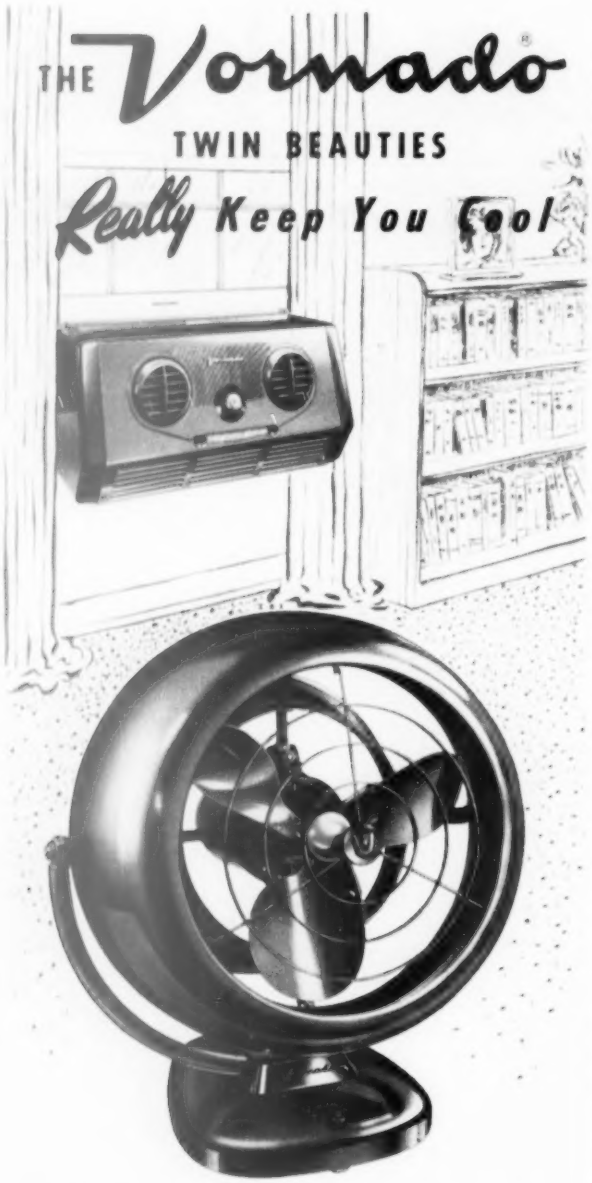

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The best side trip I ever took

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"Old Bedlam," officer's quarters, and sutler's store as they appear today

I was traveling Highway 26 from Casper, Wyoming, to Lincoln, Nebraska, for the first time, when I drove into the little town of Fort Laramie. I remembered there had been a fort by that name in my history books, so I made inquiry about it at a service station. The attendant said it was down the road about two miles, and he pointed vaguely south-southwest.

I drove slowly, and eventually saw a faded sign, beyond that a rusty, red iron bridge. I decided to take a chance. The bridge rattled and clanked, and the road beyond it would have made a good washboard. I was strongly moved to leave Fort Laramie to the history books, and then I saw it, sprawling acres and acres of verdant countryside. With a thrill of anticipation, I forged ahead.

I had some difficulty finding the entrance, but once inside, I parked, and set out on foot through the lush grass, around and over little ditches and hillocks. Directly in front of me was a sort of museum, complete with attendant, and around the old parade ground were grouped weather-beaten frame barracks, officers' quarters, sheds, shops, and the sutler's store. A sutler's store, I learned, was a civilian "post exchange." This one, built in 1850, had been patronized by such famous visitors as Kit Carson, Jim Bridger, and Buffalo Bill. There are remains of 21 historic structures still evident.

One picturesque, old, two-story frame is known as "Old Bedlam"—a scene of much gaiety in 1849. It was, for many years, a social center at the fort and has been preserved by stabilization work. Everything looked neat, as if someone were remembering old Fort Laramie with affection and pride.

The hospital, a stone structure, was in ruins. It was located apart from the rest of the fort, on the crest of a gentle hill, below which I could see the North Platte River curling through the grassy valley like a sleek green snake.

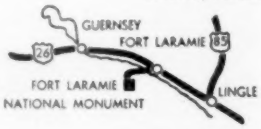
Located near the junction of the Laramie and North Platte rivers, the site which is now Fort Laramie was a favorite camping spot for trappers and traders going to and from the Rocky Mountains in the early 1800's. In 1834 a log stockade was erected by veteran traders. It was strategically located on the central route to the mountains.

Until 1849 Fort Laramie was a famous fur-trading center for a large area. There, early emigrants to the West found shelter and supplies. But at the beginning of California's gold rush, the United States government acquired the area for $4,000. For the next 40 years, it was one of the most important Army posts guarding the overland trails to the West.

In 1890 Fort Laramie was abandoned, and the 65 buildings were auctioned off to homesteaders, who tore down most of them. In 1937 the State of Wyoming purchased the 214 acres and the remaining buildings for presentation to the United States. It was established as a national monument by presidential proclamation in 1938.

I sat for some time on the hill, visualizing what Fort Laramie had meant to the '49ers, the Mormons, the Pony Express, the overland stage. It had been a vital part of American history for nearly 50 years! I was glad I had found the faded sign and rusty bridge. I didn't notice the bumpy road nearly so much going back to Highway 26.

— *Ethel K. Lockwood*
Sarasota, Florida



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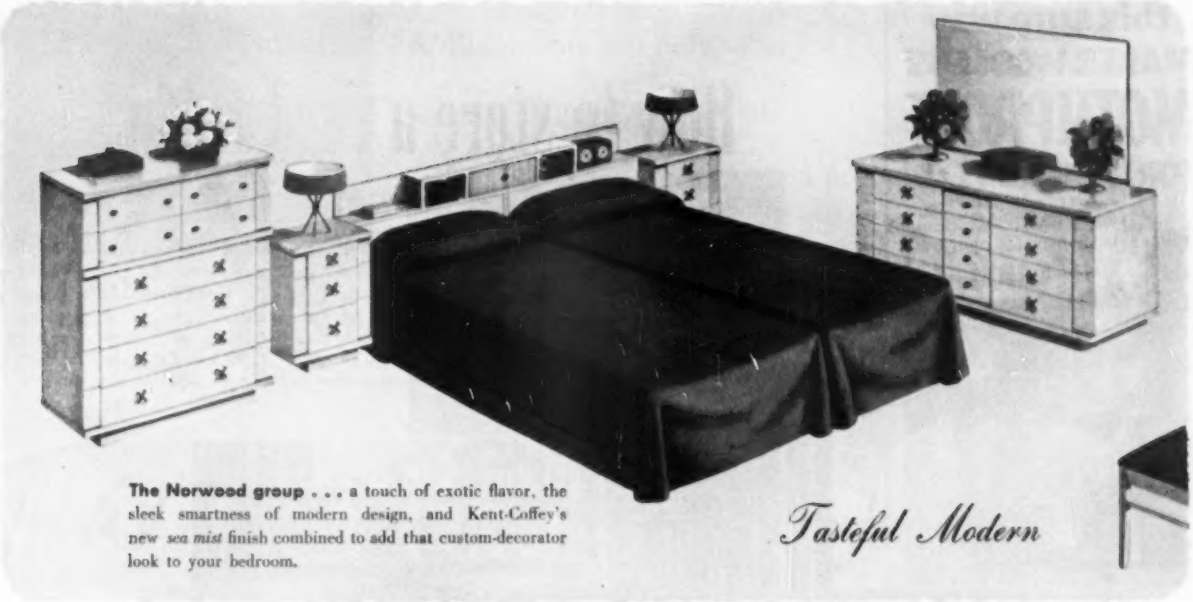

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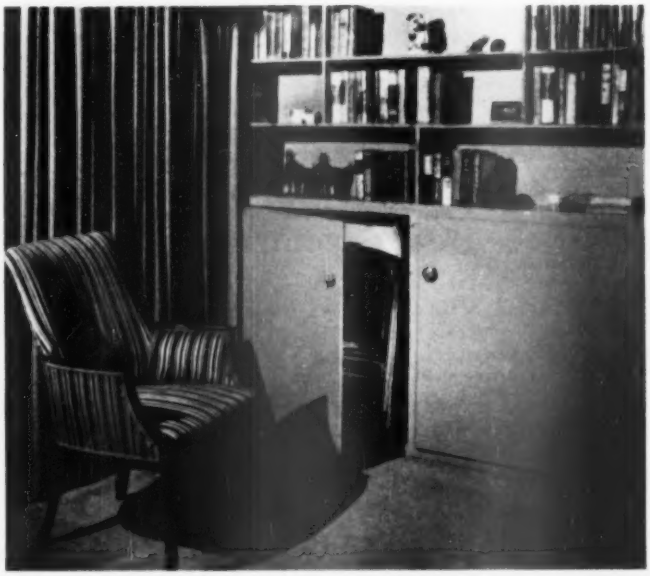
How to store a card table

By June Westmore

Every time you want a game of cards, do you fumble in the hall closet among coats for the card table? Or climb to the attic to hunt for that extra table for guests?

What you need is specific storage space for your card tables. You may find the perfect solution to your card-table storage problem in the walls of living or dining room, or hall, or as part of a built-in bookcase unit.



When the Max Newmans, Glencoe, Illinois, had bookcases built in their living room, a card-table storage unit was included. One section holds folding chairs, while the other holds tables. When you plan new built-ins, provide for card-table storage in them

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Exploring the walls of the basement recreation room, James Calhoun, Jr., Glencoe, Illinois, found that there was enough space between the pine paneling and the brick basement wall to store several card tables.

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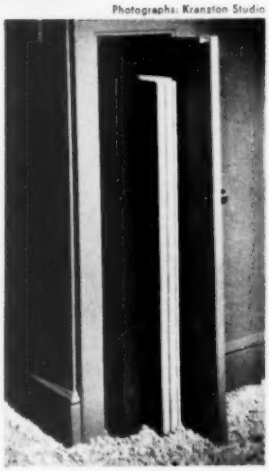
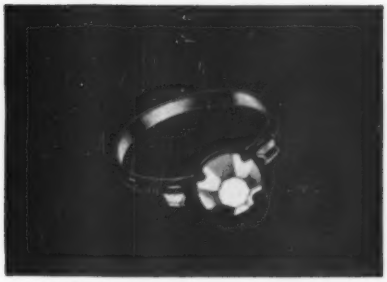


Albert Bard, of Wilmette, Illinois, found space behind kitchen cabinets for a deep card-table storage unit opening from living room. Door and molding match the walls



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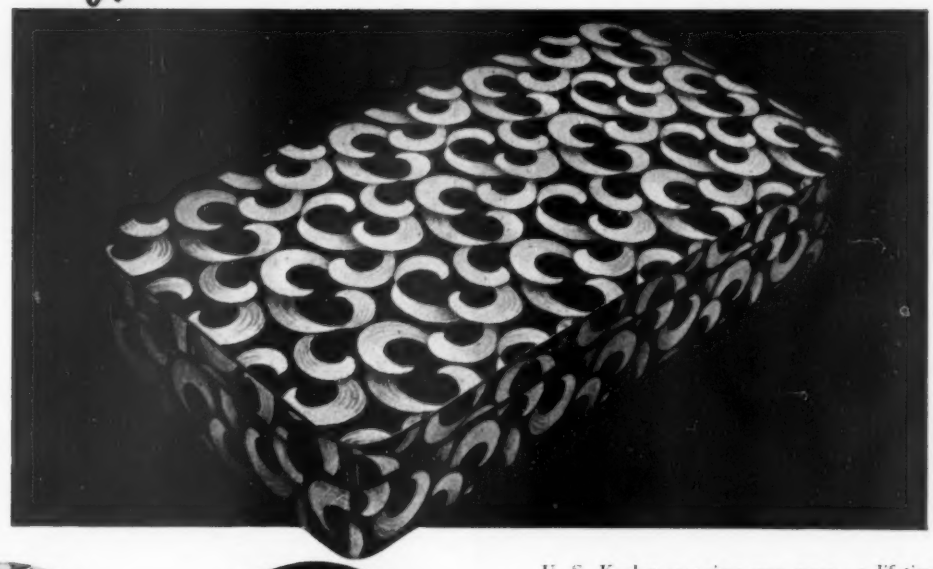

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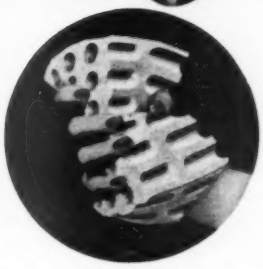

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Manners for children

The writer, author of a forthcoming book on etiquette,* says good manners aren't taught, they're "caught." Here are 36 rules you'll want your boy or girl to catch

By Amy Vanderbilt

"The manners of today's children are positively atrocious!" If you're a parent, you've probably been made uneasy more than once by just such criticism. You'll be comforted to know the same accusation has been made of every younger generation since Adam's time. Here's part of a rhyme for children written in 1883:

"At home be always neat and nice,
Though no one may admire,
And do not go about the house
In slovenly attire:
With slipshod shoes,
Ungartered hose,
And ragtag skirts,
And furbelows.
With hair unkempt
And flying loose,
With linen stained
Or soiled with use,
With grimy face
Or hands that tell
You don't like water very well . . ."

Sound like what you're always saying to your boy or girl? So would all the rest of the rhyme, even to the matter of interrupting the conversation of elders and yelling around the house. It's interesting that such admonitions were necessary in what we think of as a particularly mannerly day.

Children in every society, even the primitive, receive some kind of social training to fit them for their eventual place in adult life. The normally self-centered tendencies of childhood must be modified in various ways, but the less rigid the training the more balanced and happy the adult will be.

I know a gracious 16-year-old who at 4 was a terrific spitter. When she was asked to do the most trivial thing, she spat. When guests came and she was brought in for inspection, she spat. Her parents were beside themselves. They tried everything—punishment, promised rewards, shame. The spitting increased and so did the family tension. Finally, in despair, they took her to the family doctor. He found little wrong with her except her age—the spitting age which begins at about 3½.

He advised the parents to ignore the symptom, to encourage her to spit in socially acceptable ways—when washing her teeth, outdoors in "spitting contests" with the other

* *Amy Vanderbilt's Complete Book of Etiquette*, to be published by Doubleday in September, 1952.

haven't changed

Photograph: Harriet Arnold

Does your youngster have chances to observe Dad being courteous to Mom?

children, to see who could spit farthest. But most important of all, he counseled, "At all times keep in mind that when she is 16 and the boys come to see her, she will not spit at them." When children seem at their worst, it is well for the frantic parent to relax and remember "This, too, shall pass."

It may amaze you, also, to find that your child who is rude at home is frequently held up as a model of deportment in the homes of his friends. Perhaps he feels that at home too much is expected of him. At his friends' homes, he gets no reminders, little is demanded of him, and the result is that he is a shining example of all the social graces. Manners, then, are "caught," rather than taught. Rightly, they must become second nature.

Fortunately, there comes a time when the most headstrong child will want desperately to know how to do the right thing. Then the moment to remind him casually of the rules of manners is *before* he comes to the table with guests, *before* he goes to the party, *in advance* of his boarding the train. Constant correction of a child in front of others is irritating to everyone and often reflects the parents' own lack of social poise.

A boy or girl who is studying American history will be amused and benefited by George Washington's 54 maxims on personal conduct. For all their quaint language, they embody most of the things we all should know about attractive manners and social attitudes. The maxims, by the way, were probably translated by Washington from the original French, when he was a teen-ager [*Turn to next page*

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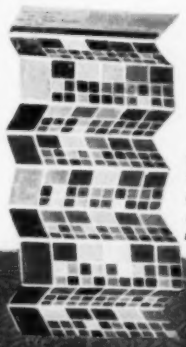

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himself. They're not believed to be original with him. Any library can turn up frequent references to them. Incidentally, they are *not* the 36 points given below, although these more-modern rules were inspired by his.

Aside from Washington, whose advice is so basic as to refer to the picking of teeth in public and reading the letters of others, there *are* niceties of behavior that should be implanted in children during their years of close contact with their parents. I believe a child should eventually come to understand that in polite society we do not do the following things:

1. Scratch ourselves, pick our teeth, comb our hair, tend our nails, or spit, in the presence of others.

2. Eat with our mouths open, or with obvious noise or lip-smacking.

3. Put more than a manageable mouthful in our mouths at one time.

4. Leave a spoon in a cup, or use a knife to carry food to our mouths.

5. Tuck in a napkin (unless we are very young indeed), or lick our fingers instead of wiping them on a napkin.

6. Sit down to a meal unwashed and uncombed, or improperly dressed.

7. Tilt chairs, or push them back from the table with all our weight upon them.

8. Lounge on the dining table, or put our elbows on it except between courses (and then preferably one elbow at a time, if any), or sit slumped on our spines.

9. Speak of repulsive matters at table.

10. Fail to greet others encountered in the household when we get up in the morning or when we return home from outside affairs.

11. Go up and down stairs like elephants and bang doors after us.

12. Pass in front of others without saying, "Please excuse me" or "I'm sorry."

13. Use a flat "No" or "Yes" in answer to questions. Instead, use "Yes, Mother," "Yes, Mr. Roberts," or, "Yes, sir."

14. Repeat damaging gossip.

15. Swear in a way that is generally considered offensive. (Most children need some expressions with which they can blow off steam—if absolutely necessary, one set for use in the parents' presence, and another for away from home where there is likely to be more rigidity in the matter.)

16. Burp, belch, sneeze, or cough without attempting to turn away from others and then only behind our cupped hand or a clean handkerchief held to the face.

17. Stick our feet out into aisles or passageways so that people fall.

18. Behave noisily and conspicuously in public places.

19. Enter a room when the door is closed, without knocking and waiting for permission to enter.

20. Interrupt a conversation except for an important reason, and

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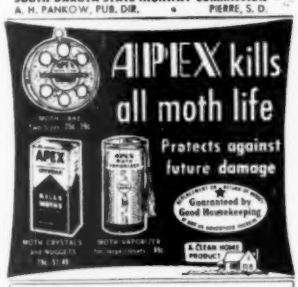

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22. Walk without lifting our feet.

23. Pull our finger joints, crack our nails, or indulge in any similar irritating habits.

A gentleman does not:

24. Enter a room before a lady, except to turn on a light in a darkened room.

25. Sit while ladies stand.

26. Fail to pull out a woman's chair for her, serve her, or see that she is served first.

27. Speak or bow to a lady before she has given some sign of recognition. (A man, passing a very good friend in some public place, and sure she has not seen him, may catch up with her and place his hand lightly on her arm, or if they're on a first-name basis, call "Mary" softly when within hearing, but never "Miss Thayer!" as she would not wish to have her name announced to passers-by.)

28. Smoke without asking permission of the lady he is accompanying or seated so near that the smoke might annoy her.

29. Call any but his contemporaries by first names and later in life to be conservative about that.

30. Keep his hat or cap on while talking to a lady (unless asked to replace it). Fail to touch cap or hat or lift it when necessary.

31. Take a woman's hand or touch her face or body in the course of conversation; nudge her; or take her arm except to help her into vehicles or, if necessary, across the street.

32. Speak intimately of any girl or woman to other men.

And neither gentleman nor lady should:

33. Speak offensively to another concerning his religion, race, or country.

34. Enter any place of worship without speaking in reverent tones, and a gentleman should remove his hat (unless this is contrary to the custom of that religion).

35. Laugh at the mistakes or misfortunes of others.

36. Fail to give due respect to a clergyman of any faith, to a woman of any religious order.

These things should be practiced as an integral part of daily life, without consciousness that they are "manners."

Finally, instead of constantly reading the riot act to your children, let them study a list such as this at times when they seem receptive. Often they will accept what is written down more readily than what they hear—perhaps too constantly—from you.

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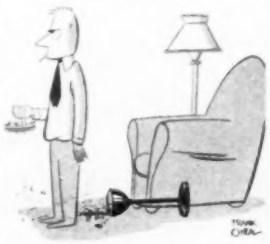

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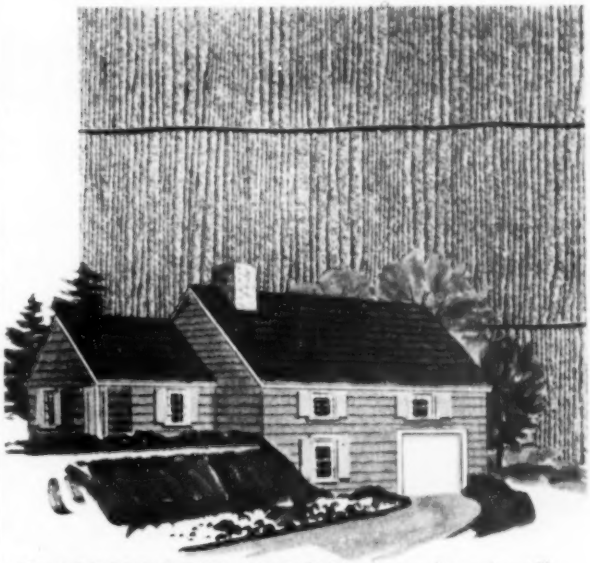

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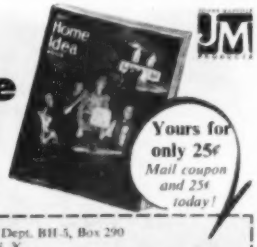

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Timesaving sewing gadgets

By Charlene Warren

Here are three little items designed to help you whittle many minutes from your sewing and mending jobs. In using them we found that these less-than-a-dollar gadgets actually made the jobs more fun.

The marks-as-it-measures gauge can be operated with one hand. Every time you sew, you'll probably find another new way to use it.

If thread often seems stubborn about going through your machine needle, you'll like the needle that "almost threads itself." You can thread it without even seeing the eye.

The ripper, a homemaker's ingenious invention, attaches to your machine and rips seams in almost half the time hand ripping usually requires. Once you see how easy it works, you'll wonder why it wasn't thought of years ago.

Photographs: Stanley

Mark as you measure

You can mark and measure in one motion with this gadget, in making hems, tucks, and buttonholes.

The tailor's chalk attached to this 6-inch plastic ruler serves double duty. Use it for marking tailor's tacks and for placement of hooks and eyes.

Mark fabric on wrong side. To remove marks, brush or wash before pressing. Chalk refills are available.

Easy threading

No squinting when you use this machine needle that almost threads itself. Just slide the thread down the shank of the needle and into the eye.

Try stitching on a sample of fabric you're using before sewing a garment. The needle may be too heavy for use on sheers, but it works well on most cottons, rayons, silks, and nylons. Fits most machines.

Quick ripping

This steel accessory makes ripping jobs easier. Insert it in place of the machine needle, then run it down the center of the seam you want to rip. The tiny blade edge (see close-up) cuts bobbin stitches.

On sheer or closely woven materials, the ripper may fracture threads in the weave. Try the needle on a sample seam of the material before using it.

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Story back of your dishes

By Margo Garrity

Exquisite dish patterns record legends, customs, and the beauty of nature in stunning designs. Each is an artistic interpretation by skilled craftsmen. When you select dishes, choose them to harmonize with your furnishings. The history of famous dishes gives a cue to the kind of setting in which they'll look their best. Here are stories of tried-and-true patterns, always available.

Fairfield is a modern china pattern inspired by the magnificent beauty of a field of daffodils.

The designer, remembering their golden brilliance, painted three enchanting blossoms against a smart coupe-shaped background. Every blossom is sharply outlined in soft-toned gold. A narrow gold band adds a handsome accent.

The simplicity of the design makes it adaptable for formal as well as more casual table settings.

Photographs: Hopkins

Normandie combines the stately fleur-de-lis design in gold with a rich, cobalt-blue background. A mellow gold band enhances its beauty.

Fleur-de-lis was for centuries a symbol of royalty in France. After the fall of Napoleon Bonaparte, it gained popularity as a decorative motif in many other countries.

Conventional in design, Normandie is a china pattern that is attractive with Traditional and Regency furnishings or with Modern settings.

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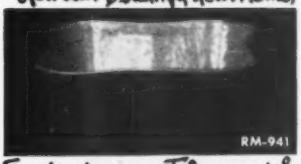

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Wisteria pattern, with its delicate colors and graceful appearance, was inspired by a legend of two lovers who pledged their troth with a sprig of wisteria. The same night the young soldier was called away to war.

The girl treasured his memory. Years later she recognized him by the faded, brittle sprig of wisteria.

Lancaster has the homey charm of the Pennsylvania Dutch art. Each motif and delightful decoration is reminiscent of the life and culture of these sturdy Americans.

The shell-edge shape adds to the quaintness of this china pattern. Lancaster is ideal for informal, casual table settings.

Gloucester is a reserved, dignified pattern with sprays of deep blue beading engraved on the subtle blue-gray Lowestoft stoneware body.

Sturdy semiporcelain ware with this coloring was first made in China, shipped to Holland, and then to the English port by this name. Gradually all dinnerware of this type became known as Lowestoft.

Gloucester is a harmonious selection for an Eighteenth Century background such as Sheraton or Chippendale, or Chinese modern.

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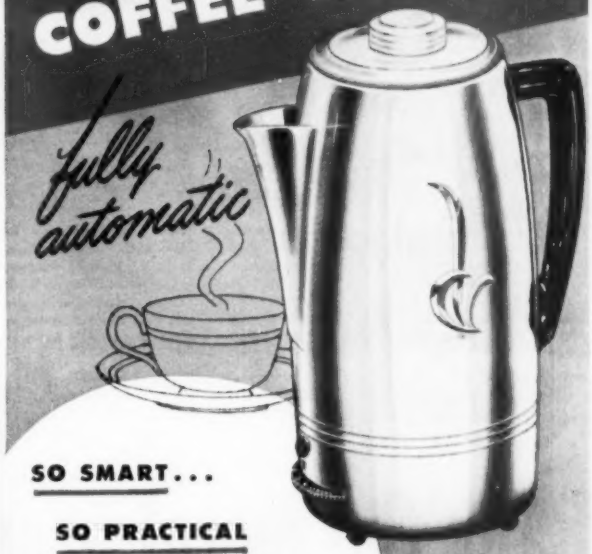

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Bleeding nails. Is the outside of your house defaced by rust spots from bleeding nails? It often happens if putty shrinks and cracks out. You can remove rust stains on paint with steel wool wet with detergent. Let dry, then dab exposed nailheads with spar varnish. Then cover them with putty and touch them up with exterior paint

Blackened andirons. Remove deposits on andirons with white gasoline (outdoors) followed by nongritty kitchen cleanser. Complete cleaning with metal polish. Brighten pitted areas with mixture of salt and vinegar, applied sparingly and washed away as soon as shine appears. Because of fireplace heat, don't use wax-base polish or lacquer

Rust on tools. Remove small rust spots by rubbing with coarse cloth wet with penetrating oil. For heavier rust, try a fine emery cloth, followed by auto-body rubbing compound. Don't use a faster-cutting abrasive than emery; you want to cut rust, not metal. Surface will be pitted, but luster will return. Keep surface oiled or waxed

Baby the metal around your house

By George Daniels

Window screens. If your window screens are of a metal that needs periodic painting, use only special screen paint. It is very thin, does not clog openings. You can apply it easily with a piece of carpeting tacked on a block of wood. Bronze and copper screens are often coated with spar varnish in order to keep from staining adjacent painted or masonry surfaces

Photographs: Guni-Schneider

Chief enemies of your home's metal parts and accessories are corrosion, abrasion, and, occasionally, your own metal-cleaning habits. You can reduce the destructive effects of all three, save the cost of hard-to-get replacements, and have a brighter, more smoothly working home by taking a few precautions.

First, when you clean, avoid exposing metal to corrosive chemicals. Vinegar, for example, can ruin galvanized surfaces if you allow it to remain on the metal. Concentrated household ammonia (before you dilute it) can spoil the finish on brass and copper, though it won't hurt stainless steel or aluminum. Household chemicals that include chlorine, such as undiluted laundry bleach, can damage all these metals.

To prolong the life of plated metal accessories, don't polish too often. Even though your metal polish may contain no abrasive, gritty dust picked up from the surface you are polishing will eventually wear through thin plating. Instead, use a good polish sparingly. [*Turn to page 266*

Lasting luster for door hardware. To get a lasting shine on your front-door hardware, start by polishing with a good, nongritty metal polish. If polish has any wax in it, wash metal with denatured alcohol

Then lacquer. If the hardware can't be removed easily from the door, use masking tape as pictured to protect door paint from lacquer. Apply lacquer in warm, dry weather to avoid cloudiness. Let dry; peel off tape

Tips to ease those boring jobs

How to make mortises, blind holes, dowel holes, countersinks, and counterbores

How to bore. Here an expansion bit is used to cut a large hole. The work, solidly clamped in a vise, is backed with waste stock to avoid ragged edges as bit breaks through. Use same trick with an auger bit

By Gene Harmon

Among the first of the "musts" for your home workshop will be a wood-boring tool. On many home-repair jobs, a brace and bit are indispensable.

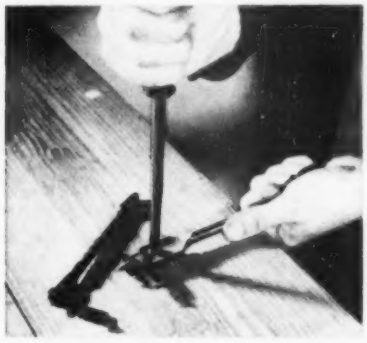
To start, get a top-quality ratchet brace with a ball-bearing chuck, plus a set of auger bits from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ or 1 inch in size. The number stamped on the tang (see drawing, page 234) indicates its diameter in sixteenths of an inch.

You may also want a set of bit stock drills which range upward in size from 1/16 of an inch diameter by steps of 1/32 of an inch. You will need a bit file, and a slipstone for keeping bits sharp.

For small holes, such as screw-body holes and pilot holes, a push drill with a number of drill points housed in the handle works rapidly, even in inconvenient spots. For holes larger than one inch, an expansion bit, adjustable for various diameters, does the job.

If you have a power drill press, use spur bits for boring large holes in wood, regular twist drills for smaller holes. Spur bits have a diamond-shaped point instead of the usual feed screw.

The pictures show you how to handle boring tools and how to keep them in top condition.



Expansion bit. Adjustable, it saves cost of larger auger bits. Moving cutter outward 1/32" increases hole diameter 1/16". Don't set cutter beyond scale markings. Adjust to size, tighten setscrew, bore test hole before doing actual job

Special bits. Forstner bit (top) bores holes without perforating work, is used when other bits might cause splitting. Bit is pressed into scribed circle of same size. Spur bit with diamond point (left) is used for wood-boring with drill press

Fast chucking. With upturned chuck in one hand, turn handle with other—counter-clockwise to open. Insert bit so tang's edges fit V-grooves of jaws or fit socket, depending on type. To tighten, grip chuck, turn handle clockwise

Doweling jig. With try square, mark dowel centers on both joining pieces at once. Adjust jig to center on stock; clamp so index mark lines up with center mark. Set bit-guiding sleeve in jig, and adjust the depth stop on bit. Bore the hole

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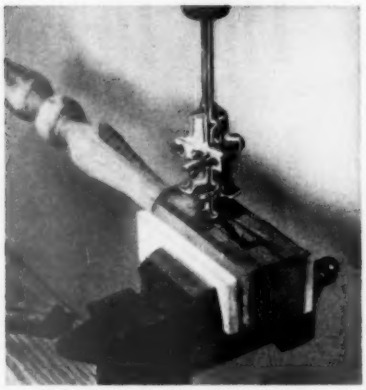

Mortises. Scribe size, center line, and centers for holes to be bored to overlap one-fourth their diameter. Use bit slightly smaller than width of mortise to permit dressing with chisel. On "blind" mortises (shown here) use gauge for equal depths

Block depth gauge. Bore a wood block to fit lengthwise over bit. When block butts against chuck, depth will be distance from block to lips of bit. An adjustable gauge is better, for it can be set to any depth; and will fit any bit

Push drill. Use for screw-body holes. Center-punch exact locations. If screw enters hardwood, drill pilot hole smaller than thread diameter. Tap screw through first hole to locate pilot hole

boring jobs

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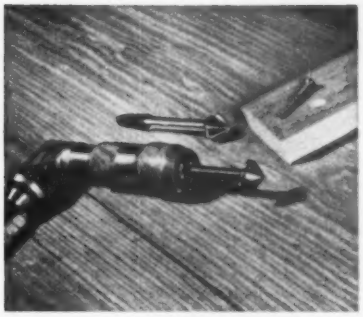
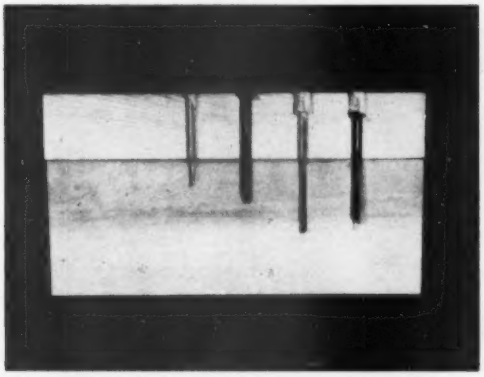


Countersinks. To seat flathead screws flush or slightly below hardwood surface, widen screw holes with countersink bit. Two types are shown. Use depth stop when countersinking by hand. On a drill press, control is easy with the spindle stop



Counterbores. Conceal screwheads by seating screws in counterbored holes. Use bit slightly larger than head, and push drill for body and pilot holes. Plug counterbore later. At right in picture is cross section of two counterbored holes; at left, two countersunk holes: each is shown with and without screws driven in

Long bits. When installing wiring, it's easy to bore through the sill or plate of a closed partition without removing the baseboard. Chisel a hole a couple inches above baseboard, and use old keyhole saw to cut lath.

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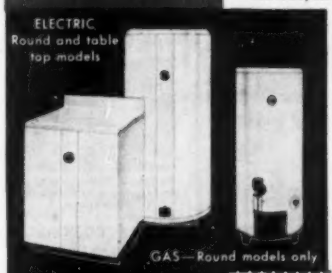

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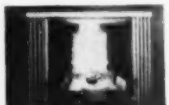

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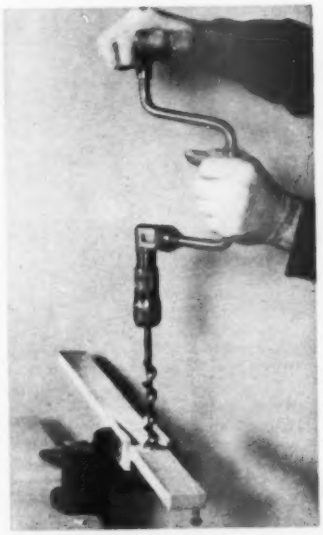

Vertical boring. Arm holding brace head is kept rigid; only movement is by other turning brace. When spurs (side cutters) enter wood, check from front and side to see bit is perpendicular. Recheck to keep bit vertical after a couple more turns.

Work that is too wide for your vise can be clamped over waste stock on top of bench.

Horizontal boring. Cup brace head in hand held against stomach so bit is horizontal. Check bit from both top and side. Don't change course of bit when hole is over ½ inch deep, as bit may be bent. To correct a bad angle, glue in a dowel and rebore when glue is dry

Try-square check. On a wide surface, it is difficult to sight bit to see if it is vertical. Check with try square in two or three positions.

As you drill, pressure on brace head is usually unnecessary. Medium-pitch feed screws are generally used. Feed screws having "slow" pitch are best for boring smooth holes in hardwood; "fast" pitch is best for boring end grain and gummy wood.

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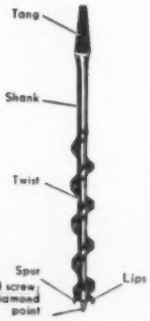
How to take care of auger bits

Sharpening spurs. Hold bit on edge of bench, lead screw pointed up. With bit file, dress off just enough metal from inside of spur to produce good edge. Don't file outside of spurs; that alters cutting diameter. Keep spurs level

Sharpening lips. Lips on an auger bit have a bevel to provide clearance. To sharpen, hold bit with feed screw on wood. File only on beveled surface, keeping same bevel. Keep both lips straight and exactly even. Finish with slipstone

Protect bits. Keep bits sharp with plastic caps or dowel sections on tips. If air isn't humid, hang in slotted cleat on tool panel. To prevent rust, wrap in moistureproof fabric or plastic; keep in closed box. If air is damp apply antirust coating



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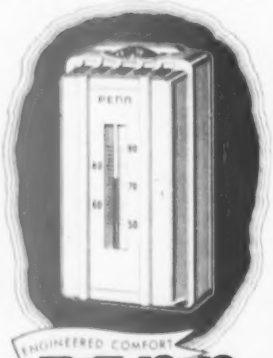

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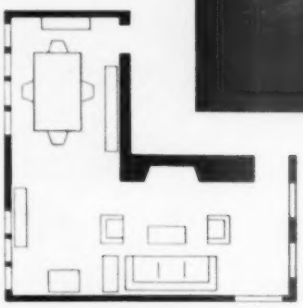
The long bookshelf carries out the horizontal lines of the room's wall paneling. A conventional, vertical, many-shelved unit would have looked awkward and out of place here. Don't overlook books in your decorating—their colorful jackets add to the lived-in look here



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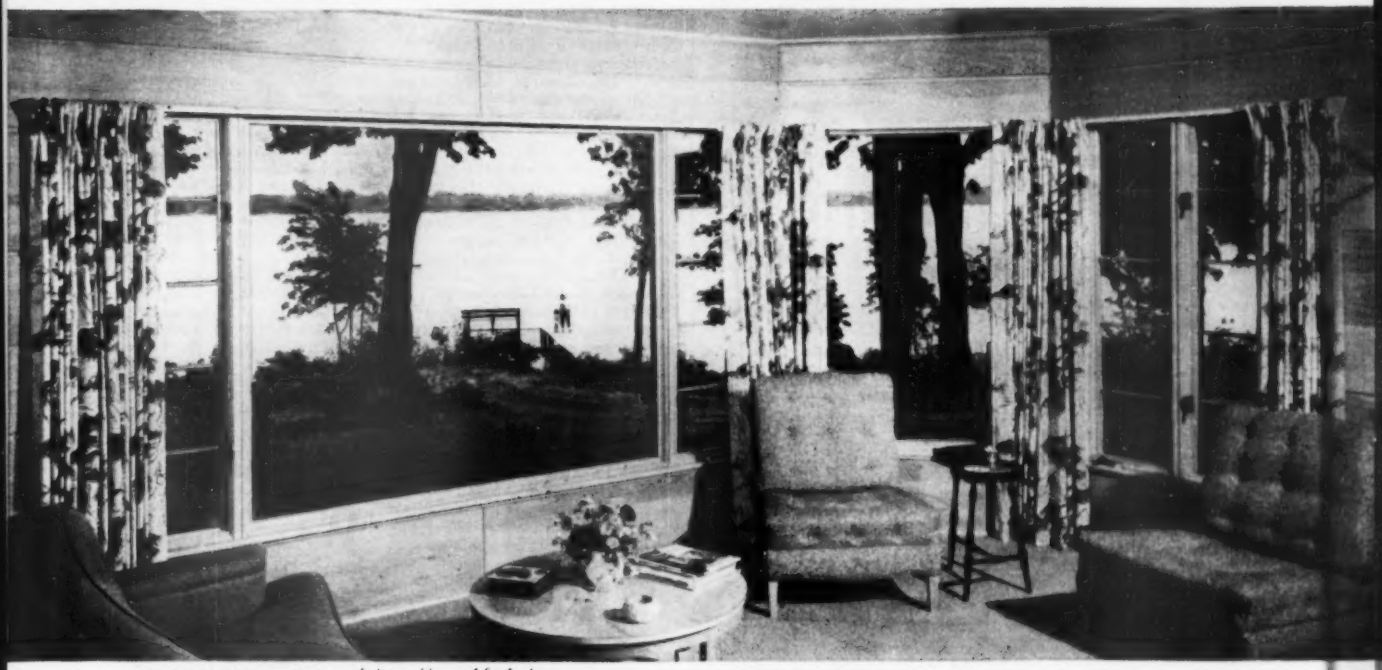

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The Ozarks

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But you won't find all this if you go through the Ozarks at 60 miles an hour. The Ozarks must be taken slowly, like their people. Where our Western mountains make you think of the exciting, crashing cymbals of a marching band, the Ozarks seem like a lullaby. They're homey, they're restful, they're quaint.

They're somewhat epitomized by the sleepy, 40-year-old Ozarkian who quit his job, telling his employer he wanted to live like his dad—on Social Security.

"But," the employer pointed out, "you won't get that till you're 65!"

"Well," the Ozarkian drawled, shrugging, "I can wait."

Not that you can't find up-to-date vacations in the Ozarks. You can. If you like modernized, big-lake vacations, with swimming, fishing, dancing, water skiing, speedboating, excursion boating, you'll find the areas of Lake of the Ozarks, Lake Taneycomo, Grand Lake, Lake Norfork, Lake Wappapello made to your measure. Or you can side-trip down to Hot Springs and uncover the same at Lakes Hamilton or Catherine.

If you prefer to tour through scenery, Arkansas comes up with the new Jasper highway out of Harrison, full of curves and bluffs, and accented by Marble Falls on an adjacent creek, and by the precipice-sided, roaming Buffalo River—with the road to White Rock Mountain recreation ground from Mountainburg, where you'll ride the ridge of the Boston mountains across Winfrey Valley from Red Oak Rim at Winslow—with the Eureka Springs-Rogers Skyvue Drive, adorned with parking overlooks, enabling you to see hundreds of mountaintops beneath you.

In Missouri, try the highways around Branson and Lake Taneycomo for faraway views from high points, some with observation towers that will thrill *both* you and the kids. Or Highway 19 from Salem to Van Buren, partly through virgin pines. Or the gravel roads in rolling hills around Cassville and Shell Knob, roads that make you think you're a million miles from nowhere and glad that you are. In Oklahoma, the winding highways south of Grand Lake, through the red-soiled Cherokee Indian Reservation and into the Cookson hills, overflow with wild foothill enchantment.

But if you just want to hide away in the hills in a housekeeping cabin, or penetrate the deepest of the wilderness by floating a rippling river in a John-boat, and camping out, you'll find you can do that, too, in the Ozarks. They're a versatile country—they come up with the right answer to your vacation mood.

Ozark territory is low-cost territory; you can have your fun-filled vacation here, and go home with money in your pockets. Let's say your family numbers four—two adults and two children. Two weeks in the Ozarks, living the life of Riley, probably won't cost you over $200, exclusive of transportation. You can, if you do your own cooking, get by for considerably less. If you want to spend more, there are resorts where you can do it, but you'll still get your money's worth.

The Ozarks are, for the most part, a country of housekeeping resorts and overnight tourist courts, with a few outstanding meals-and-lodging resorts (American plan—$7 to $9 per person a day). Almost all types of accommodations, including boats and motors, are rentable on a daily rate, with one day free by the week. Most of the housekeeping camps are 100 percent modern, with plenty of windows to beat the heat, and rent for from $5 to $8 a day. This includes electric refrigeration, gas stoves, or burners, inside plumbing and showers, linens, usually towels.

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seasons, some areas, notably Grand Lake, reduce housing rates as much as 25 percent.

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In addition to low-cost housing accommodations, the Ozarks come up with reasonably priced food. Throughout the region, you can buy a good regular-menu dinner for $1.50. Good steaks cost more. Breakfast—bacon and eggs, with all the trimmings—seldom costs over 75 cents. At noon, you usually can get a hot beef sandwich, with potatoes and gravy, pie a la mode, and drink, for 85 cents.

To get down to actual cases, let's divide Ozark vacations into two types: those in which *water* is the governing factor, and those where *sight-seeing* is all-important.

If your family's primary vacation purpose is to play on water, you can choose a lake or river. There are good rivers in the Ozarks, not only because all lakes are dammed-up, widened, deep sections of rivers, but because the rivers are fast-flowing, clear, fish-laden mountain streams. As one Texan said, "There's more drinkin' water in the Ozarks than I ever saw before."

First the lakes: fishingwise, these waters normally produce channel catfish; largemouth, smallmouth, and white bass; crappies; occasionally a jack salmon (walleye). Missouri's Lake of the Ozarks and Lake Taneycomo, for instance, are crappie paradises, where the kiddies can yank out their limits from boats, resort docks, or public fishing docks (25 cents a day). Both also yield excellent catfishing and fine white-bass catches, as well as spring and fall tussles with lurking largemouths.

Norfork Lake, mostly in Arkansas, is principally largemouth-bass water, so clear that long casts are the best technique, except after rain murks the water. Fish close to the steep shores. Largemouth bass also play an important part in the fishing life of Oklahoma's Grand Lake, once called "Lake of the Cherokees," but here man-size crappies steal the show. Weighing up to four pounds, these crappies are as husky as any in the country.

Largemouth bass grow to fancy sizes in Lakes Catherine and Hamilton in Hot Springs National Park. Clearwater Lake, in eastern Missouri near Lake Wappapello, is one of the best largemouth-bass and walleye waters in the Ozarks, but supports only four tourist camps. Wappapello has plenty of accommodations for both lakes, however. All the lakes produce best in spring and fall, when water is cool. All have year-round open season on all species.

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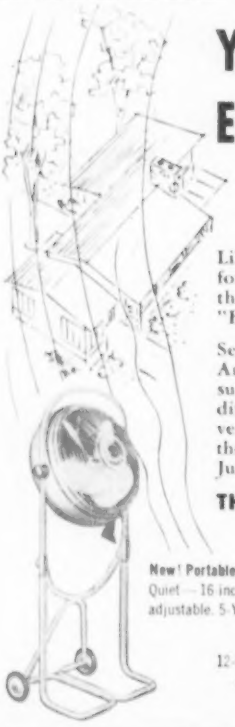

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The Ozarks

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Swimming is a king, too, in these lakes. Beaches usually are man-made affairs, some gravel, some concrete. Quick shore-line drop-offs have caused some thoughtful resort owners to barricade sections with concrete or wood, to furnish wee tikes a swimming hole and safety, too. Government shore-line restrictions prevent this on some lakes.

Other lake amusements you may enjoy, some guaranteed to thrill you, are speedboating, excursion boating, cruiser riding, horseback riding, golfing, aquaplaning, or water-skiing. Big, flat-bottomed, double-decked excursion boats (200 capacity) with dancing space, tables and chairs, and refreshment stands, operate afternoons and evenings at Lake of the Ozarks and evenings and Sunday afternoons at Grand Lake.

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Missouri has eight state parks in the Ozarks (Big Springs, Meramec, Montauk, Roaring River, Bennett Springs, Sam Baker, Alley Springs, Round Springs) which have housing accommodations, with uniform rates: modern housekeeping cabins at $2.50 a night for two, plus small extras for additional cots; $5 for a larger cabin built for four. Knock off 50 cents if you want overnight type instead of housekeeping. Towels and linens are furnished. In three Ozark parks in Arkansas (Buffalo River, Devil's Den, Mount Nebo), you'll find spacious modern cottages at $20 to $25 a week for four.

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A different river vacation may be found at Noel, Missouri, a carnival-type town built around a bulge in the Elk River called Shadow Lake. Here you'll find bright lights—dancing, bathing beaches, speedboating. You can rent a modern cottage at Ginger Blue, the finest lodge in the community, for $38.50 a week, meals extra, or a modern housekeeping cabin elsewhere for about $25 a week.

A similar gala atmosphere pervades the town of Lake Ozark, where the Lake of the Ozarks tips over Bagnell Dam to become once again the Osage River. Toy rides, colorful gift shops, Ozark pottery displays, and loudspeakers advertising boat rides keep this spot alive with excitement.

This type of vacation also awaits you at Rockaway Beach, Lake Taneycomo's playground. The Beach is a dazzling array of paddle-pushers (self-propelled water carriages which delight youngsters and teen-agers), speedboats, cruisers, rowboats, dancing, bowling, swimming, a clean waterfront, miniature golf, and a business district whose open-fronted shops sparkle at night like Atlantic City.

Sight-seeing comes next: Probably the best way to tour the Ozarks is to work out of headquarter towns, sample in a couple of days the flavor of each community, then move on—a sort of stop-and-go tour. You can strike out from towns like Cassville, Noel, Branson, Rockaway Beach, Poplar Bluff, Van Buren, or any of the five town-areas (Camdenton, Gravois Mills, Hurricane Deck, Bagnell, Osage Beach-Grand Glaize) circling Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri; Harrison, Fayetteville, Winslow, Eureka Springs, Mountain Home in Arkansas; Grove, Afton, Langley, Ketchum, Spavinaw, or Miami in Oklahoma.

In touring, you'll run into high spots. Let's say you start at Cassville, the town of seven valleys, in southwestern Missouri, and that you work south in a big circle, winding up at Lake of the Ozarks, back north. Any of the following areas may be by-passed or handled as a side trip if you select a different route.

At Cassville, thousands of tourists like to photograph the shortest standard-gauge railroad in the United States. The Cassville & Exeter leaves Cassville every weekday morning, when it's a mind to, and climbs 4.8 miles straight up a mountain to a junction with the Frisco at Exeter, then *coasts* back. In Cassville, too, is one of the few commercial, spooky, lantern-lighted caves: Crystal Caverns.

On your way to Noel, stop at Pineville. Any native you meet is apt to have been a movie actor. *Jesse James* was filmed there some 13 years ago, the company leaving $90,000 in Pineville. Now, someone joked, if they moved the courthouse away, the town could be arrested for vagrancy.

En route to Grand Lake, at Southwest City, is the original marker for the west end of Mason and Dixon's line, resting at the spot where the three states of Oklahoma, Missouri, and Arkansas join.

At Winslow, Arkansas, you may call on Maud Duncan, the tiny unreconstructed rebel who publishes by herself a hand-set weekly newspaper, *The Winslow American*, in a little unpainted building along the highway. To remember their vacation, many tourists subscribe to her Tom Thumb-size paper. And children will have fun riding the miniature Mount Gayler railroad, which circles Gayler Lake, or climbing the 90-foot observation tower and seeing Oklahoma many miles away.

Maybe you'll be warm at Winslow, but when you drop down U. S. Highway 71 into Fort Smith, you'll think you've gone from an icebox into a furnace. Perhaps you'll scoot quickly for Russellville or Conway, to reclimb the mountains back north. Or you can break off at either for a short side trip into the Ouachita (pronounced Wash-i-taw) mountains, to Hot Springs National Park. Anyone going to Arkansas without seeing Hot Springs with its holly trees and its slogan of "We bathe the world," hasn't been to Arkansas.

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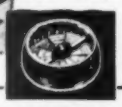

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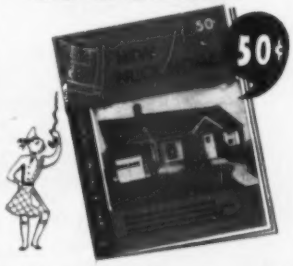

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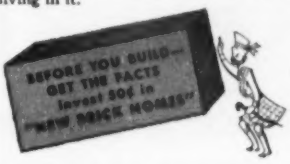

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Before you leave town, fill your vacuum jug with hot water at the village health spigot, in front of the park administration building. It will last until you reach Little Switzerland curve 210 miles back into the Ozarks—Highway 7 between Harrison and Jasper—where you can wind on a windlass from a spring, far down the gully, a bucket full of ice-cold water.

Near Jasper is Hemmed-In Hollow, or Lost Valley, a paradise of waterfalls only for the rugged who like mountain climbing.

East of Harrison is not only Bull Shoals Dam, one of the largest concrete structures in the world, and Lake Norfork, but also the cliffs and creeks of Blanchard Springs Recreation Area, one of the state's wild beauties, located in the Sylamore forest. Roads to it are terrible.

Eureka Springs is another headquarter point. It's built on a mountainside in seven levels, with 26 mineral springs. On top is the big, white Crescent Hotel, looking something like a castle, from which (along with Hotel Taneycomo at Rockaway Beach) emanate the Berry tours of the Ozarks (seven days touring by bus for less than $100—trains met in Kansas City and St. Louis).

It's only a skip and a hop to Branson, the gateway to the Shepherd of the Hills country with its Dewey Bald Mountain, its Mutton Hollow, its Inspiration Point, its tombstone for Old Matt and Aunt Molly—a region made famous by Harold Bell Wright.

A day's drive east of Branson, around Van Buren and Poplar Bluff, is the Big Springs country. On north are Meramec Caverns, second in attendance only to Carlsbad. Then there's Onondaga Cave, where you cross a stream by boat.

In this region, too, is not only the highest mountain in Missouri, Taum Sauk, but also the village of Potosi, probably the only town in the United States which has something Texas wants. In Potosi is the grave of Moses Austin, who obtained the charter from Mexico to colonize Texas, and whose son did the job. Now Texas wants Austin's body.

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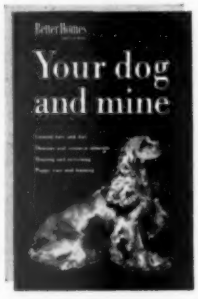

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Here's a summary of what to expect

1 *Cassville Area*

Meals and lodging: Good cabin courts, $6-$6.50. At Roaring River State Park, $5. Good, reasonable restaurants in Cassville and Park.

Fishing: Rainbow trout in Roaring River. Smallmouth and largemouth bass and catfish in White and Kings rivers. Trout, bass, catfish at Ozark Mountain Fisheries on Highway 44 near Bethpage. Trout at Cassville's Crystal Springs Trout Farm.

Local interest: Scenic, good gravel roads around Viola and Shell Knob. Lantern-lighted Crystal Caverns at Cassville. Cassville & Exeter Railway is shortest, standard-gauge railroad in the United States.

2 *Noel-Neosho Area*

Meals and lodging: Good cabin camps, $5 night, $25 week. Ginger Blue Lodge, cabins $38.50 week, meals extra. Food excellent. At Big Springs Inn, Neosho, catch your own trout in pool; they'll fry it for you. Other excellent restaurants, such as Indian Creek Cove.

Fishing: Catfish and bass. Float trips on Elk River. Ozark Trout Farm south of Joplin.

Local interest: End of Mason and Dixon's Line and Tri-State marker at Southwest City. Truitt's and Bluff Dwellers Caves on U. S. Highway 71; this road runs beneath overhanging cliffs near Noel. *Jesse James* filmed at Pineville.

3 *Grand Lake Area*

Meals and lodging: 100 housekeeping and overnight resorts, $7 night, $42 week. Some give 25-percent discount October 1 to April 1. Good restaurants, prices reasonable. Resort centers: Grove, Afton, Ketchum, Langley, Spavinaw. Airport resorts on Monkey Island. Eight public recreation areas.

Fishing: Crappies, spotted bass, largemouth and smallmouth bass, channel catfish, white bass. Smallmouths in Spavinaw Creek.

Local interest: 1,300 miles of shore line, 65 miles long. Dam over one mile long—longest multiple-arch dam in world. Cherokee Queen (capacity 200) excursion and dance boat. The Kenwood (Cherokee) Indian Reservation.

4 *Harrison Area*

Meals and lodging: Tourist courts, $6 to $7. Inexpensive and unpretentious restaurants. Housekeeping cabins ($20 to $25) and dining hall at Buffalo River State Park. Hotels, about $6.

Fishing: Trout in Marble Falls creek. Smallmouth and largemouth bass and catfish in Buffalo River.

Local interest: Scenic Highway 7 south to Russellville, one of Arkansas' most beautiful drives. Marble Falls and Diamond Cave are on it. Lost Valley (Hemmed-In Hollow) near Ponca. Quail hunting.

5 *Lake Norfork Area*

Meals and lodging: Housekeeping cabins, $5 to $7; lodge cabins, $42 week, meals extra. Good restaurants.

Fishing: Chiefly largemouth bass, crappies, and catfish in Lake Norfork. Float trips from Cotter.

Local interest: Car ferries across Lake Norfork and Buffalo River. Blanchard Springs Recreation Area south of Calico Rock. Bull Shoals Dam. Speedboat rides on Norfork, which is 38 miles long, has 500 miles of shore line.

6 *Eureka Springs Area*

Meals and lodging: Tourist courts and hotels, $7 to $15. Guest homes and tourist homes. Housekeeping cabins. Unique food at House of Sander, Beaver, Arkansas.

Fishing: Float trips on White and Kings rivers. Smallmouth and largemouth bass, channel catfish. Bass and panfish in lakes.

Local interest: 62 health springs. Escarpment streets. Miles Mountain, home of Ozark pralines. Scenic drive west on U. S. Highway 62 to Gateway. Wild country south, around Huntsville, and north in valley of White and Kings rivers. Blue Springs, 7½ miles west on Highway 62.

7 *Branson-Rockaway Beach Area*

Meals and lodging: Tourist courts, $6 to $8. Housekeeping cabins, $35 to $50 week. Hotels (American plan), $7.50 each, one-half fare for children under 6. Restaurants limited.

Fishing: Crappies, largemouth and white bass, catfish in Lake Taneycomo and White River. Float-trips headquarters (larg-

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est in Ozarks) at Branson. Also float trips from Galena.

Local interest: Shepherd of Hills Highway 80 west of Branson. Scenic drive from Rockaway Beach to Kissee Mills. School of Ozarks. Marvel Cave and Fairy Cave. Swimming, boating, paddle-pushing, bowling, dancing at Rockaway. Swimming elsewhere on Taneycomo. Christmas pageant at Branson every year.

8 *Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers Area*

Meals and lodging: Good restaurants throughout. Mostly overnight tourist courts and hotels. Rates $6 to $10.

Fishing: Bass and catfish in White River and other streams. Trout fishery at Lake Keith, near Rogers.

Local interest: Vineyard area. Dance in cave at Bella Vista. Scenic drives such as Highway 68 west of Springdale; U. S. Highway 62 east of Rogers; roads east and north of Fayetteville into wild regions. Pea Ridge Battlefield north of Rogers.

9 *Winslow Area*

Meals and lodging: Overnight cabin courts, $5 to $7. Restaurants not plentiful. A few housekeeping cabins at White Rock and Devil's Den parks.

Fishing: A little bass and catfish angling in streams and Lake Fort Smith.

Local interest: Gateway to Boston Mountains. Maud Duncan and her *Winslow American* hand-set newspaper. Scenic trip to White Rock Mountain Recreation Area, either from Winslow or Mountainburg. Devil's Den State Park—swimming, meals from April to November 1, mountain trails. Horseback rides, miniature railroad, and observation towers at Winslow. U. S. Highway 71 south of Winslow is scenic.

Side Trip to Hot Springs

Meals and lodging: Excellent hotels, rooms up to $15. Fine tourist courts, $7 and up. Many excellent restaurants throughout the city.

Fishing: Largemouth bass, crappies, perch, white bass, channel catfish, some walleyes in Lakes Catherine and Hamilton. Smallmouth bass in upper reaches of Ouachita River.

Local interest: Alligator farm, observation tower, with elevator, on North Mountain. Overlooks on West Mountain. Original hot spring bubbling from hillside behind "Bathhouse Row." No flies, no mosquitoes. Horse racing, boat racing. Diamond Mine at nearby Murphreesboro—where tourist gets first diamond he finds. Golfing at Hot Springs Country Club to members of outside clubs. There are also public courses.

10 *Poplar Bluff-Van Buren Area*

Meals and lodging: Tourist courts, $6 to $10. Hotels, about $7. Good restaurants not plentiful. Housekeeping cabins in state parks, $5; those around Lake Wappapello some higher.

Fishing: Smallmouth and largemouth bass, catfish, walleyes in Lakes Clearwater and Wappapello. Float trips.

Local interest: Four state parks (Big Spring, Round Spring, Alley Springs, Sam Baker). Scenic Highway 19 north of Winona toward Salem. Taum Sauk Mountain near Ironton, 1,800 feet, highest in Missouri. Planned entertainment at Black River Lodge, Lesterville.

11 *Lake of the Ozarks Area*

Meals and lodging: Good restaurants all around lake, reasonable. Five resort areas: Gravois Mills, Bagnell, Grand Glaize-Osage Beach, Hurricane Deck, Camdenton. Overnights: $6 to $8; American plans: $7.50 to $9 per person per day. Park, lodge, cabin accommodations $5 at Bennett Springs.

Fishing: White bass, crappies, largemouth bass, walleyes, channel catfish. Boat motor and guide from nonresort fishing docks—$10 to $12 a day. Trout in Bennett Springs State Park, and at Trout Fishery at Gravois Spring.

Local interest: Lake is 129 miles long, has 1,372 miles of shore line. Jacobs, Bridal, and Stark caves. State park (Lake of the Ozarks) has sand swimming beach, sight-seeing cruisers, speedboats, dance and excursion boats. Tennis courts, two golf courses. Horseback riding. Hayrides—$1. Square dancing.

12 *Meramec-Onondaga Area*

Meals and lodging: Meramec and Washington state parks, $5. Occasional tourist court. Restaurant at Meramec.

Fishing: Bass, catfish in Meramec River. Float trips. Westover Trout Fishery near Steelville.

Local interest: Meramec Caverns. Onondaga Cave.

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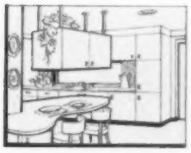

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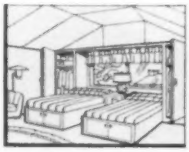

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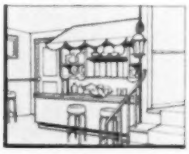

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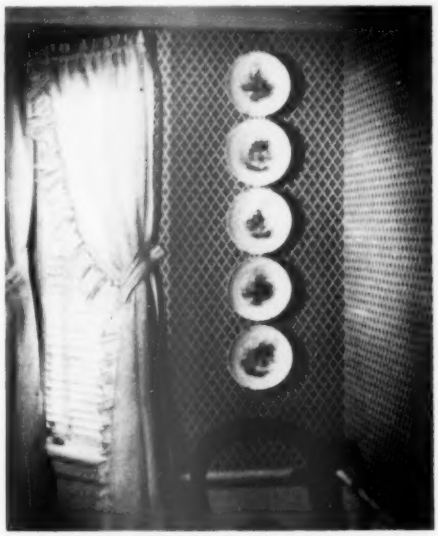

For a tall, narrow space, plates should be hung in a tall, narrow arrangement as they are done here in the Robert McKisson home, Winnetka, Illinois. On a patterned background use plates with wide, plain borders. This keeps the plate design from getting "lost" in the wallpaper pattern

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On a large, plain background you can effectively use a bold display like this one in the Donald H. Stillman home, Northbrook, Illinois. When hanging a big grouping, it's easier to experiment on a plain sheet of paper first. To keep from chipping a plaster wall, cover area where you are going to drive the nail with transparent tape

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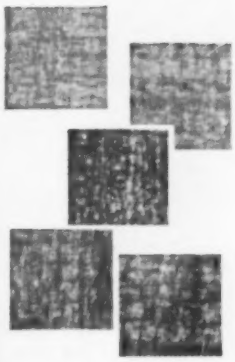

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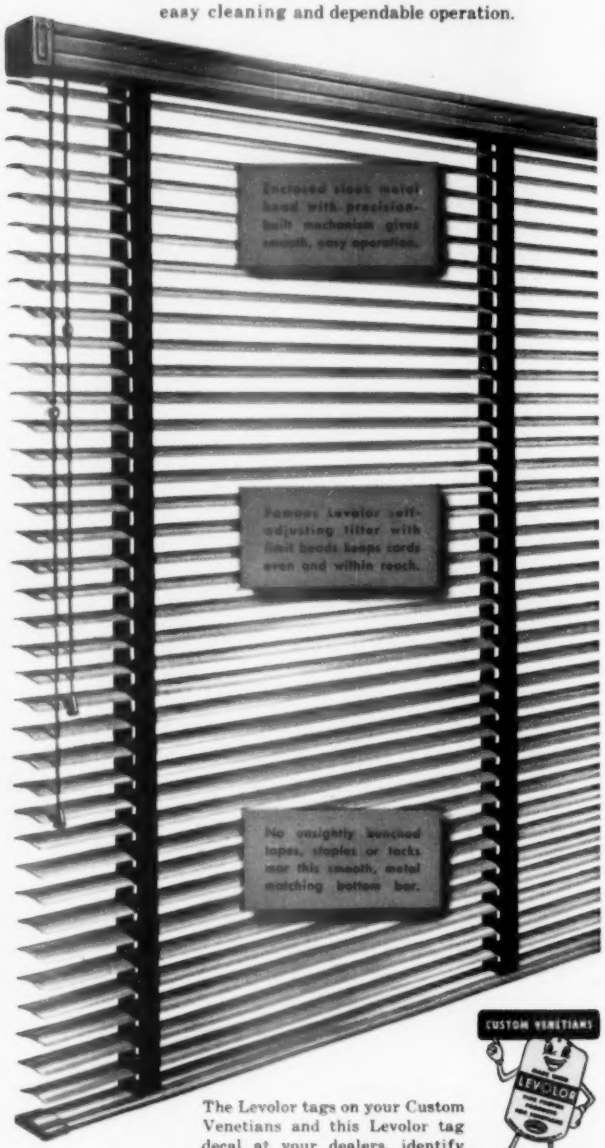

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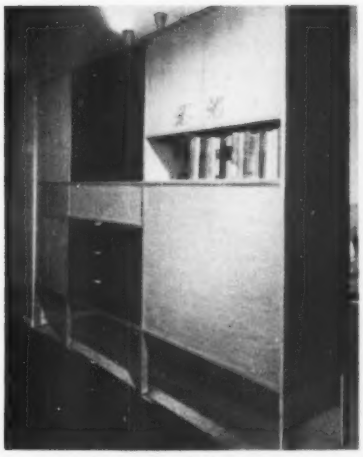
Both indoor and outdoor living areas are located off the street, with privacy further increased by the vertical board fence at the right; it's in perfect keeping with the character of the house itself

housework-speeding ideas incorporated in this design. All-on-one-floor plan, absence of dust-catching moldings, and sensible color scheming are a few.

But perhaps most important of all is the fact that three bedrooms, living room, dining area, and service areas, plus bathroom and lavatory, have been enclosed in only 1,265 square feet.

The modest size of the house itself serves to reduce both time and effort in housekeeping and maintenance. And, needless to say, the size is important from a cost angle, too. If you need three bedrooms for your family, but must build on a budget, perhaps this plan is the one that will give you what you need and can afford.

Parents' bedroom has direct access to outdoor living area at the rear of the house. Draperies, hung from rod at ceiling height, run length of one wall, can be drawn back to clear the doorway



Handsome storage wall dividing living area from the hall is not specified in the plans, but you might duplicate it if you are handy with tools

Basic framework is of 1x2 lumber, with quarter-inch plywood paneling. Unit is 22 inches wide, 7 feet high. Make the length to suit your needs

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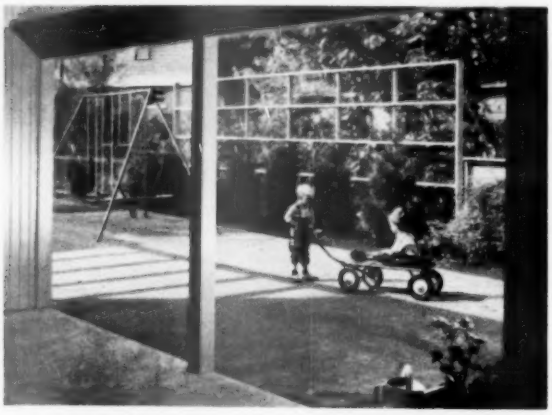
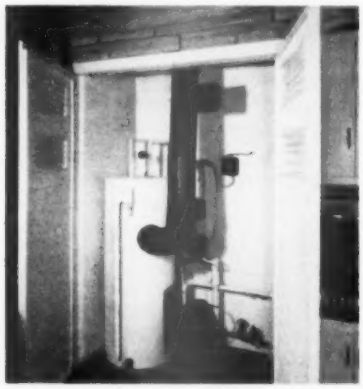


Carport adjoins play yard, serves as covered play space in rainy weather. Simple fence defines the lot line, provides background for the bushy evergreen plants which will grow to assure privacy



Compact heating plant in closet off the kitchen feeds hot water to radiant-heat pipes embedded in slab floor; it provides domestic hot water, too

This closet opens on play yard, provides convenient storage space for garden tools, outdoor furniture, games, and out-of-season equipment

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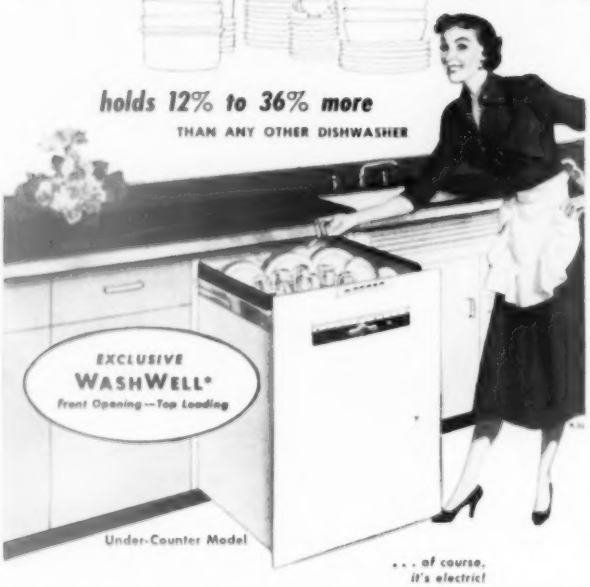

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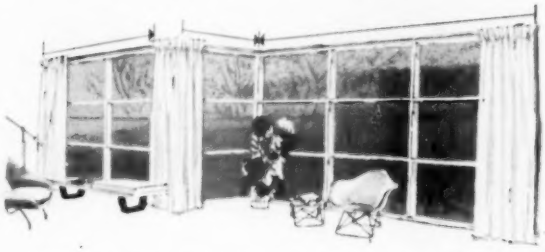

Effective drapery treatment doesn't interfere with the picture-window view. Arrows indicate how the three sections pull across. The draperies not under arrows are permanent. Those on the right are extended beyond window, so they're clear of window when pulled open

Drawings: Ken Miller

Two panels, left, traverse in normal fashion over the window. One panel is on a one-way traverse rod, so all material draws to the left away from the door.

The draperies hung at ceiling height give a more spacious look to room, and provide more clearance near the door.

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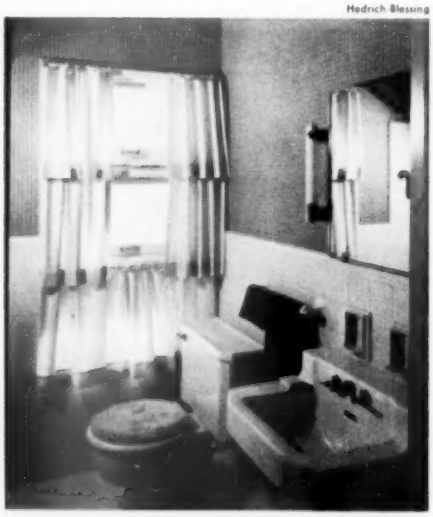

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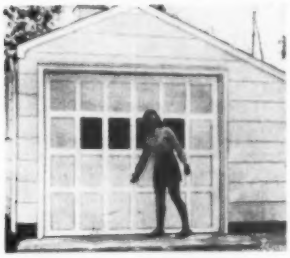

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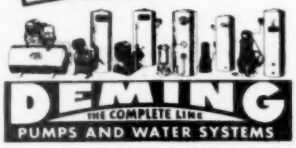

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What became of the man I married?

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trap themselves. But man is traditionally the aggressor in mating, the one who most often pursues, pleads, and promises his would-be quarry that to him she will always be a cross between Claudette Colbert and Queen of Siam. Hence it is she who most often is stunned to discover her pedestal only a kitchen stool, her ardent prince satisfied with a hasty peck as he races for his car.

Now not all men, but certainly a very great many, are more or less free to choose the kind of work they find most challenging. Generally speaking, this work consumes their time, demands their intelligence and skill, is performed in the company of other people, and produces visible results. The housewife, however, inherits a job with her wedding ring. No matter if she's particularly equipped for it or intrigued by it, it's hers. A job to be handled either in solitude, or surrounded by prattling, wailing, often completely delightful, but just as often completely maddening, offspring. A job which (depending upon the size of family, help, and other factors) frequently fails to consume her time, and which often fails to satisfy her creatively, artistically, or mentally when it does.

Within the past year and a half, I've read three articles, all with the selfsame titles ("Profession, Housewife") which seem to indicate a trend. All were written by brilliant career women who thought it would be nice to convince the average housewife that hers was the finest, most rewarding profession, after all. But all somehow created the impression that one might as well make the best of a bad situation, if she's stuck with it anyhow.

Today's young woman of education and experience, who has worked in offices and war plants, traveled and observed and thought for herself, just can't get steamed up about piecing quilts and baking rolls and spring cleaning, as her mother and grandmother did. The quilts are electric blankets now; better rolls than she could hope to achieve come ready-made; and if you're smart about your daily cleaning, a semiannual siege of it is silly and out of date. All of which adds up to a resounding pat on the back for the men who've made this wonderful age of leisure for women possible. But also accounts for the fact that many of today's women are completely bored, and more than ever craving something more stimulating than the housewifely accomplishments of the good old days. In their restlessness they join women's clubs and voting leagues and little writing circles, and have each other in for lunch. And in this selfsame restlessness, given the opportunity, they are just as likely to fall prey to romantic temptations outside the home, as men sometimes are.

In fact, I think that the woman who does not feel herself to be particularly cherished at home is even more likely to *want* to stray than many a brother. Her chances to encounter temptation are admittedly less, and the codes of society are against her. Nonetheless, I don't think it too wild to surmise that for every husband who does chase after extramarital romance, there are a half dozen women who'd like to. And some who actually follow his example. For when the great Danish novelist, Karin Michaelis, wrote *The Dangerous Age*, she only revealed a rocking truth. Women, too, face periods in their lives when they crave romantic excitement. Periods when they are unusually

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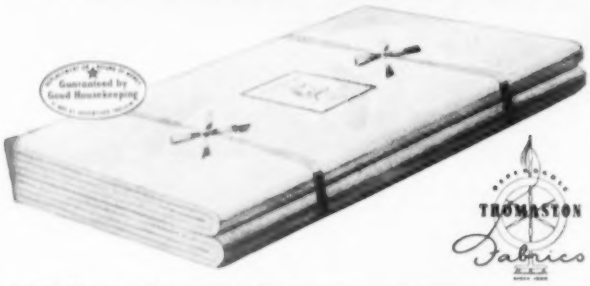

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susceptible to the "noisy ardors of the professional lover," simply because such lovers scorned by stabler men, make a woman feel once again desired.

To be cherished, to feel herself adored. If only men could be made to realize (as women are continually told to realize in dealing with them) that such forge the surest shield against infidelity, the strongest sword to keep the invader from the home!

Now I realize that many a man is leashed for life to a wife who hardly seems worth fighting for. There are plenty of stupid wives, nagging wives, wives who become dowdy and dull and break all the well-known rules for holding affection. Maybe, as one man puts it, the reason husbands want to make love only at night is because they can't see what they're getting then!

On the other hand, it is my contention that more women would strive to be more stimulating, more beautiful, and all the rest, if they tasted the sweet heady flavor of adulation more often. For love, romantic love, is a more potent beautifier than any cream, lotion, hair dye, lipstick, nail polish, or charm course on the market. Nearly everyone has observed some drab, unattractive little creature who mystically blossomed, became downright stunning, simply because some man fell in love with her and thought her so. And nearly everyone has seen some truly gorgeous woman gradually fade, become careless and lined, from constant association with another either so unobserving or chary of compliments that beauty itself became joyless and without meaning.

The husbands who really *do* care about their wives' appearance would find a little old-fashioned flattery doubly rewarding. They'd have partners to be prouder of on Ladies' Day at their luncheon clubs, and they'd actually save money. Lots of women buy clothes not because they particularly need or want them in themselves, but in a kind of subconscious groping toward admiration. In the vague hope that if they just change outfits often enough, their husbands will eventually notice they exist. That failing, there is still the compensation of being admired and envied by other women.

By contrast, the man who's smart enough to convince his honey she's a knockout in anything she dons, be it paint-stained slacks or last year's bathing suit, isn't likely to find her too bitter about the sacrifices and make-do's that often have to be faced in marriage. No original by Jacques Fath, Dior, or Schiaparelli can make any female feel much more robed in glory than the audible admiration of the man she loves.

Another thing the average American husband doesn't understand about women is the way they feel about sex. Women differ in their needs and responsiveness, of course, just as men do. But a lot more women are a lot more passionate than a lot of men suspect, simply because the women are too sheepish or ladylike to let on. With man's time-honored if legendary stronger desires, mere woman modestly feels she must await his pleasure.

I don't honestly think, however, that sexual satisfaction is in itself nearly so important to a woman as the feeling of reassurance the relationship gives her. The reaffirmation of the fact that her husband has wanted to be close to her,

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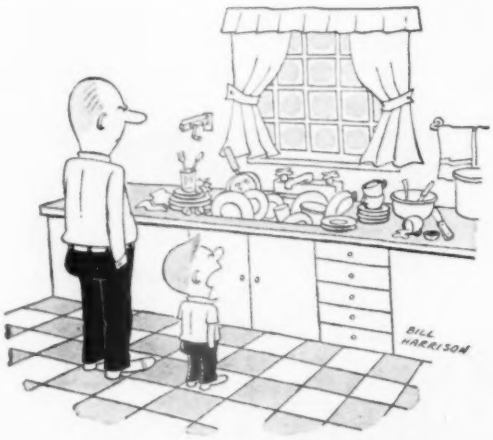

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to hold her in his arms, talk to her, and be complete with her in a way that shuts the whole world out. I think impotence would be a lot less common in men if they could understand that. Women don't so much crave "satisfaction," as they crave *reassurance*. Women don't so much seek physical thrills and bodily fulfillment as they seek a time and place of nearness, of going spiritually back—just two people alone together—to those far-lost moments of the past when each was supremely important to the other.

Today's lives are so crowded, so hurried. Business, parties, people, bills, houses, furnishings, repairs, worries about the world, worries about the children. All these things subtly but steadily get between two people. After a while, preoccupation with all of it takes over more and more of our waking hours, until finally it's as if the man who pleaded, "I can't live without you," and the woman who whispered, "We'll always think first of each other," are practically yelling "Yoo hoo!" across the cluttered canyon. After a while, it's almost too far and too much effort to try to get back together at all.

If I were a man, I would make it the first and last acts of my day to take my wife into my arms a few moments. I would make this brief and quiet drawing together so much a part of the fabric of our daily lives that either of us would feel that without it he had lost a part of his own being. It would be the symbol of that blind hurtling together we first knew, a moment of closeness and strength exchanged with which to launch the day. And no matter how many other things had come thrusting between us, it would be final seal of unity and communion at the day's end.

Maybe this doesn't fall under the classification of romantic love. Maybe it's just old-fashioned bread-and-butter married love, after all. But basically it's rooted in romantic love, the thing every woman wants—to be drawn richly and consciously closer to her man.

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By Ben E. Graves

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But you don't have to use these "recipes" ingredient for ingredient. Smart cooks know that a little experimenting often results in a better dish. The way you decorate your walls gives you one more chance to use your imagination and add individual touches to your rooms. Remember, accessories should reflect *you* and *your* taste. Use the ideas on these two pages to help you start giving the rooms in your home a new outlook on life.

A single row of pictures over each bed in this den-guest bedroom would have been all right. But just look at the interest gained by varying the theme and hanging a double row of these black-and-white lithographs on one side. The Charles Downs home, Lake Bluff, Illinois

You can use your collections to decorate your walls, too. Here, a collection of harness brass is used. Interesting groupings like this create a conversational corner in what might have been just another room

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Another example of a collection being put to decorative use—this time milk-glass fruit plates. Bring them together in an interesting pattern; even combine them with another object. Plates furnish fruit motif painted on bench. The Wesley Highmiller home, Dayton, Ohio

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Because of summer temperatures in Dallas, the house is as open as possible. Ceiling of the living-dining area follows the slope of the roof, reaching a peak at the edge of the glass

Broad glass area in kitchen provides Mrs. Prinz with good light and a panoramic view of the glen behind the house. Counter top is blueprint blue. Sliding doors below sink are acoustical board, which has an interesting texture and lets air through to storage space behind

Prinz house is perfectly fitted to its site. House follows the land contours except at right-hand corner. Here basement space for heating plant and tool storage was created with a minimum of excavating

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wall. When double doors in the living and dining areas are open, even when the front door is closed for privacy, breezes drift gently through the house. Only the fireplace, which narrows from a seven-foot-wide wall at the floor to a three-foot-square chimney, divides living from dining space.

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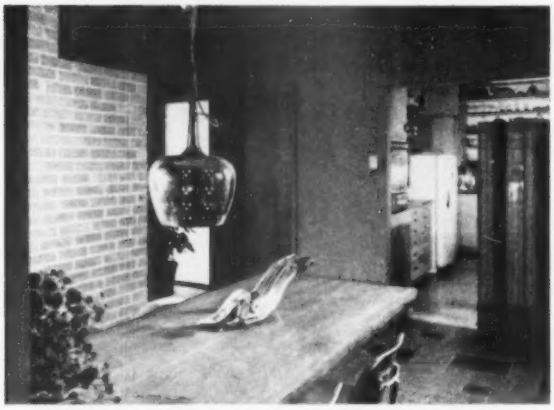
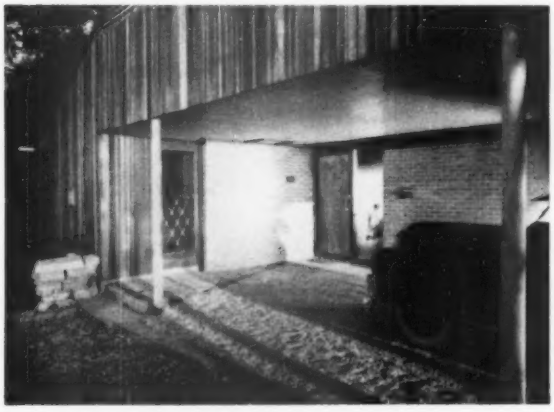


Flexible slat screen at right shuts off kitchen from view from the dining table. Shelves at far end of kitchen are open for display of glassware. Range is below these shelves, oven separate on same wall as refrigerator. Note counterbalanced lamp above the dining table



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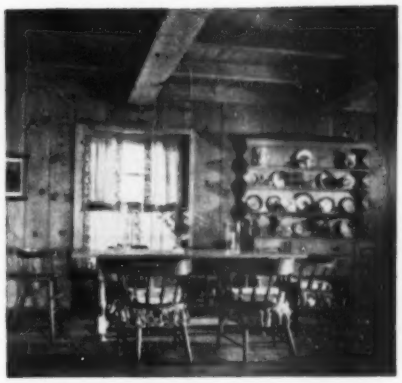

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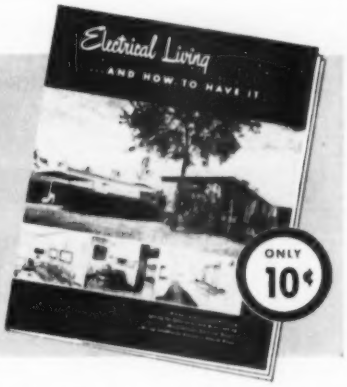

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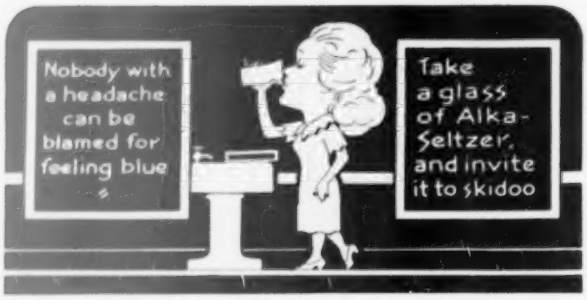

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Here's an entrance hall with real welcome appeal. Keep in mind that your entranceway is the guest's first impression of your home. This hall sets the mood for the rest of the home. The Thomas C. Schwartzburgs, Bedford Village, New York, use shades of brown, accented by the colorful bird prints, to make a good first impression on the guests

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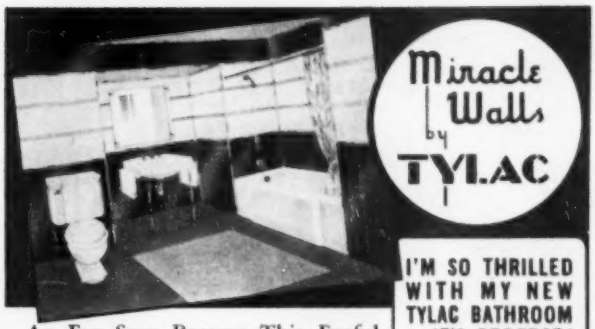
A long hall doesn't have to be dull and uninteresting. This one is as attractive as it is practical. Bold paper adds interest. Bench is ideal place to sit down and put on boots in nasty weather. Telephone's here, too, so you can accept calls without disturbing the family. A. E. Tatham home, Glencoe, Illinois. Decorator: Marion Heuer, A.I.D.



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By Douglas Baylis

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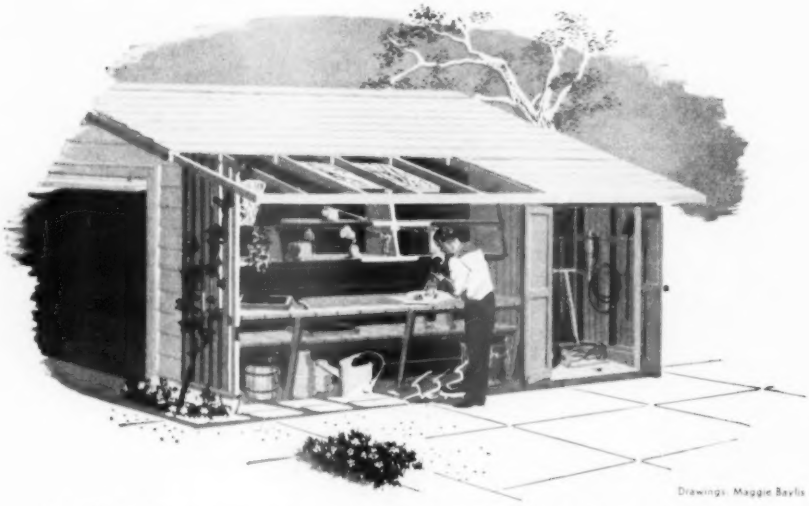
If you're short of available space, yet want a place to work *outside*, a simple extension of the roof rafters of your garage may be the answer.

Plan deep, convenient shelves and bins to protect hard-to-store insecticides and plant food. Vary the overhead protection with solid panels, lathing, or translucent glass fiber.

Provide a tool-storage section to keep your hoes, rakes, spades, brooms, and equipment protected and hidden, yet near at hand. Build a rack along the wall to hold these long-handled tools, or hang them on wooden pegs fastened to framework. Double doors open wide for wheeled tools. Pave where you stand for all-weather use.

No outdoor work space is complete without a water outlet. You'll find countless uses for one, including washing the dog. Use your garden hose, with nozzle extended through the wall from inside your garage and positioned over a sink.



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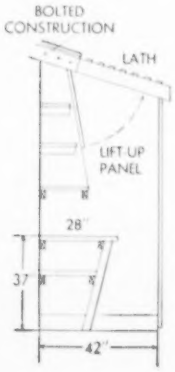
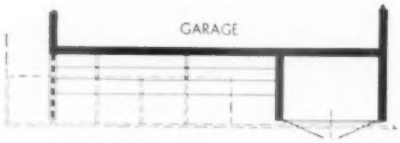
Here's how you can extend your garage roof line and provide outdoor work space and tool storage





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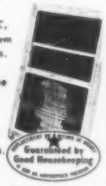

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Strawberry spreads

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Strawberry Marmalade

1 medium orange	1 quart fully ripe strawberries, crushed
1 medium lemon	4 cups sugar
¾ cup water	1 box powdered fruit pectin
1/16 teaspoon soda	

Remove peel in quarters from orange and lemon. Lay peel flat, and scrape off part of white membrane. Slice peel very fine. Place in saucepan with water and soda. Cover and simmer for 10 minutes. Stir occasionally. Remove membrane from orange and lemon sections. Add the pulp and juice to undrained, cooked peel. Cover and simmer 15 minutes. Add crushed strawberries. Measure 3 cups of this fruit mixture into a large saucepan. Place over high heat. Add pectin; stir until mixture comes to a hard boil. Add sugar immediately, stirring. Bring marmalade to full, rolling boil and boil hard for 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; skim; ladle quickly to ½ inch from top of hot, sterilized glasses. Seal at once with ⅛-inch coating of paraffin. When firm, add another very thin coating of paraffin. Makes about seven 6-ounce glasses.

Strawberry Jelly

3 quarts fully ripe strawberries	7½ cups sugar
	1 bottle fruit pectin

Wash and hull strawberries. Crush with potato masher. Place in jelly bag; set it in colander. Or pour crushed berries into colander lined with double thickness of cheesecloth. Rest colander on bowl or saucepan. Twist top of bag or bring corners of cheesecloth together and twist. Press out juice with potato masher. Measure 4 cups juice into large saucepan. (If berries lack tartness, use 3¾ cups juice and ¼ cup lemon juice.) Add sugar; mix well. Bring to a boil over high heat, stirring constantly; stir in pectin at once. Heat to a full, rolling boil and boil hard 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; skim; pour to ½ inch from top of hot, sterilized glasses. Seal at once with ⅛-inch coating of paraffin. When firm, add another very thin coating of paraffin. Makes about eleven 6-ounce glasses.

Strawberry Jam

2 quarts fully ripe strawberries	7 cups sugar
	½ bottle fruit pectin

Wash and slice berries in half lengthwise; cut large berries in quarters. Measure 4 cups berries into large saucepan; add 1 cup sugar; mix carefully and let stand 15 minutes. Add remaining sugar; mix well and heat to full, rolling boil. Boil hard 1 minute, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and stir in pectin. Stir and skim alternately 5 minutes, to cool slightly and prevent floating fruit. Ladle to ½ inch from top of hot, sterilized glasses. Seal at once with ⅛-inch coating of paraffin. When firm, add another very thin coating of paraffin. Makes about ten 6-ounce glasses.

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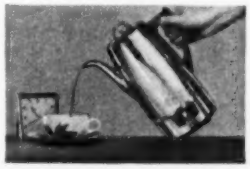

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Then follow with alcohol wash and clear metal lacquer. When lacquer wears, remove with lacquer thinner and apply new coat.

Plated metal not exposed to weather will keep its luster longer if you shine it with a polish containing wax. But if you plan to lacquer it, use a wax-free polish.

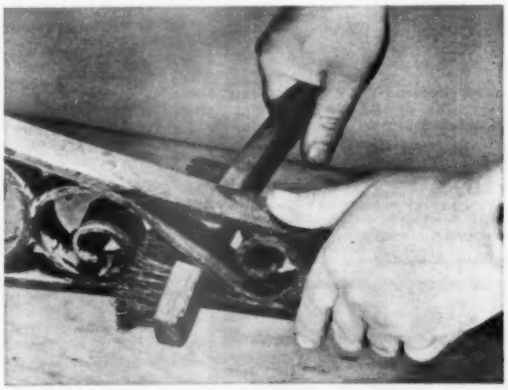
If the surface finish of solid metal is damaged, smooth roughened areas with aluminum oxide cloth, followed by fine emery cloth. Finish with jeweler's rouge.

Best protection against rust on iron and steel is a coat of paint over the correct type of primer, applied on clean metal. On painted metal, don't let a small rust spot grow. Sand it down to the bare metal, feather-edging the rim of the sanded area. Touch up with primer, then paint.

Delay painting new copper exposed to weather until metal is no longer bright, and it will hold paint better.

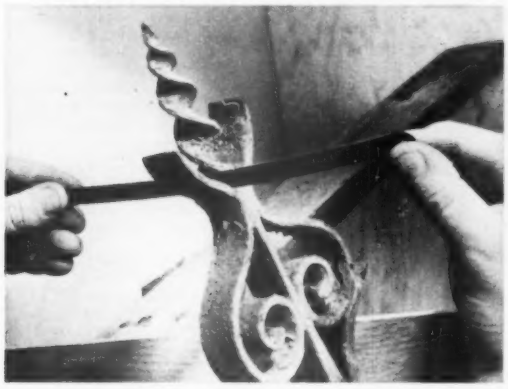
How to refinish wrought iron

Jar it loose. When you overhaul neglected wrought iron, start by tapping it gently with a light hammer. This saves work by loosening a shower of old paint and loose rust. If you can't detach the ironwork from base, use newspapers to keep the debris off concrete or brick

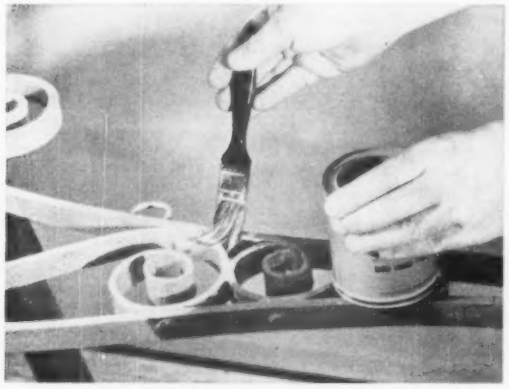


Scrape clean. Use a stiff wire brush and plenty of elbow grease to remove dirt, rust, and old paint from ironwork. If you have a portable electric hand drill, you will save your strength and time by using it with a wire-brush wheel on the exposed areas. If you use a power-driven brush wheel, be sure you protect your eyes with goggles

Chip patches. Hard patches of paint may remain after you finish wire-brushing. To remove them, flatten the point of a large nail and file down to chisel shape. Use nail to chip off patches. A cold chisel is too hard, might mar the metal beneath



Clean joints. Tight joints, where parts are riveted together, call for ingenious cleaning methods. Here is one — the use of a coarse-toothed hack-saw blade. All of the crevices and joints should be completely free of dust and dirt, or the new coat of paint will not adhere well



Prime carefully. Red lead is a popular iron primer, but other good ones are available. Red lead makes poorly covered areas easy to spot. Be sure iron is dry and dust free before priming. For aluminum railings, use a zinc chromate primer. Use paint of any color over primer

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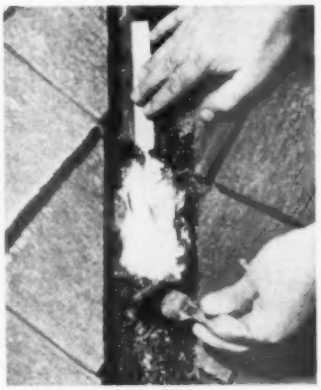
Neat patch for gutter or flashing

Cut foil patch. If you spot a leak in a galvanized roof gutter or flashing, cut a patch of aluminum foil. The frying-pan liner (pictured) is somewhat heavier than the standard foil. Cut the patch to cover hole with as large an overlap at edges as possible



Cement patch down. Put roofing cement over the area that you are patching, then pat the foil down onto it. You can tape the foil as pictured to keep it from slipping. Brush additional cement over the edges of the patch, then over the entire patch. This repair will last until you are ready to replace flashing or gutter with entirely new metal

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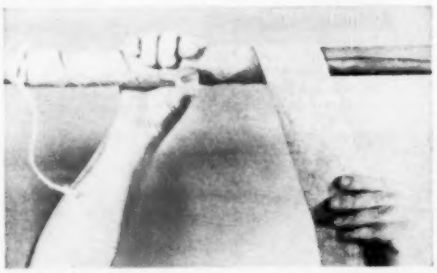
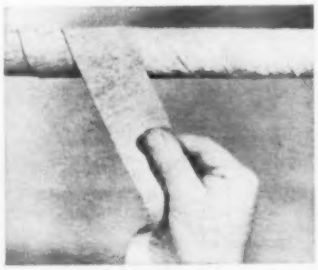


Insulating wrap. Wipe pipe dry, then wrap it with special insulating strips sold in plumbing shops. For easy handling, cut the strips to cover four or five feet of pipe at a time. Use a cord to hold the wrapping on temporarily



Outer wrap. For a neat job, an outer wrap of sealing tape is provided. Wrap it on in the same direction as the insulating layer, overlapping edges about ¼ inch. Tie ends of wrapping to keep it tight. You can use the same insulation on nonsweating hot-water pipes if you should want hot water to reach a faucet more quickly

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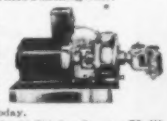

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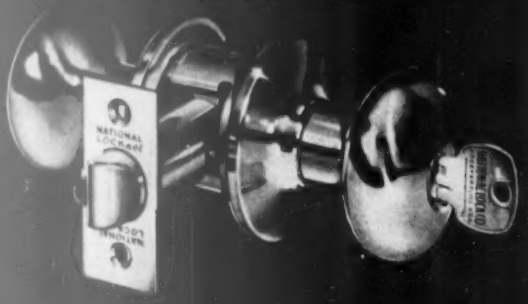

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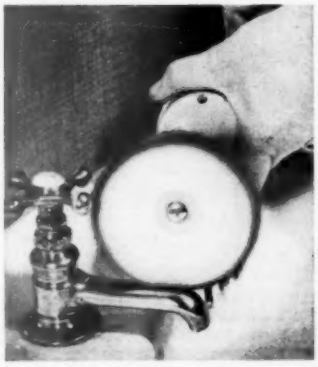
Salvaging metal after long neglect

Check condition. Even a metal plumbing fixture with heavy corrosion can be made presentable. But make sure most of the original plating is gone before you apply this drastic treatment. You can also use it on solid metal, such as any brass long neglected

Remove corrosion. Use auto-body rubbing compound for the initial cleanup. If small patches of the plate still remain, you can remove them by rubbing them with a fine grade of wetted emery paper

Rubbing tricks. The shoeshine method works best for cleaning round parts of the fixture. Apply auto-body rubbing compound to the fixture and also to a length of soft cord, like this. For wider areas, rub with a nonadhesive cloth tape instead of a cord



Final polishing. Complete buffing with jeweler's rouge, here applied with cloth buffing wheel on electric drill. You can buy rouge sticks at hardware stores. For fixtures less corroded, rouge alone will bring plate to a sparkling finish. But take care not to wear through the thin plate

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go to the telephone exchange to place a call for the Bar X. We learned that our trip had been called off because Andy had suddenly become very short-handed. Experienced help is very necessary around the Bar X: horse wranglers and packers, boatmen and handymen. Three of his trained men had gone into the armed service, and the Bar X was teeming with vacationing fishermen, and hunting parties were to come!

There was only one thing to do if we stayed—pitch in and help. The boys were soon filling wood boxes, doing chores such as carrying out the garbage, feeding chickens, chasing up the horses, carrying wood for the big fireplace, and the many other odd jobs that kids can do around a busy ranch. Although strictly a dude, I took my turn at wrangling horses, currying and brushing, hanging nosebags, saddling, and so on. Later I was to learn to sling packs, trail a pack string along a mountain trail, and even to lead a file of laboring pack horses across the tumultuous Middle Fork—and I had brought the *boys* adventuring!

Then Andy sprang a surprise on us—if we could manage to stay about 10 days longer than we had originally planned, we would be able to make the river trip! It called for some close cooperation. I would have to make an 8-day pack trip into the hinterlands of the wilderness area with a party of deer-elk-and-bear hunters, while the boys stayed at the ranch. Then, on the sixth day, they would leave, via horseback and pack string, to meet Andy and me at the remote cabin on the Middle Fork, for the beginning of the boat trip.

This was more adventure than we'd bargained for. I was a little dubious about leaving the boys. Sometimes their differences of opinion take a vigorous form of expression. So, we held a conference. They urged that we go through with it. They'd stay at the ranch, keep things running smoothly while I helped with the hunting party. They assured me they wouldn't fight (!) and that they would meet me at the cabin on the Middle Fork with everything they needed for taking the float trip down the wild river.

It gave my paternal pride a real boost to have both boys come, alone, just before I left, to say the thing each knew would ease my mind of the doubts he knew must be there. David announced that he wouldn't get spells of being "too tired" to work, and that he'd cooperate with his brother. Barry declared that he wouldn't be "bossy," but he'd see that all the chores were done each day. I rode down the Camas Creek Trail feeling that my boys were growing up in more than stature.

More than a week later, I returned with the hunting party from the remote area. Because of trouble in rounding up the pack string, we were late riding in to the cabin on the river where the boys were to meet me. It was, in fact, nearly midnight, and an overcast blotted out the trail. All I could see was the rump of a white horse fading away in the black void. I let my own horse follow it.

We were still on the trail, when suddenly the pack string ahead stopped, and I heard people talking. Finally, they moved toward me, and I picked out a strange voice, yet one friendly in its modulation, the easy, confident drawl of a man who has weathered many experiences. I knew this must be Jack Grigsby, Andy's friend and neighbor, who had volunteered to "make a hand" until Andy could replace his help; it was Jack who was to bring my boys down from the ranch to the river cabin. I queried the voice, and the answer I got made my throat tighten with pride and affection for the two rapscallions who call me "Papa," or "Pop."

"Say, you've got some fine boys—they'll make hands!"

This, coming from a man who had ridden many mountain trails throughout the West and Alaska!

That night the men gathered in the two-room cabin on the river's edge included a millionaire sportsman bent on fishing and hunting, four other men who were there to enjoy outdoor recreation, three horse wranglers and packers, a ranch operator, a hunting guide, a game-law warden of the Idaho Game and Fish Commission, and as his helper, a convict—a trusty from the Idaho State Prison. Truly a cross section of society!

My boys shared the food that was prepared, and listened to the uncensored conversation that ran the gamut from coarse banter to good, thoughtful discussion. I watched their eager faces as they drank in this new experience. I know I should not and cannot shield them from contact with the seamy side of the world all their lives. My best bet is to prepare them to see the undesirable as well as the good, and help them to choose wisely which they want for themselves. The experiences of that night would serve as a pivot for many discussions on behavior and cause and effect of that behavior. It was a vivid glimpse into a man's world, which must be unforgettable.

There wasn't room in the cabin for all of us, so Jack unrolled his bed outside, and as soon as the boys saw where it would be, they made theirs alongside. I felt a momentary pang because they did not choose to bunk in the sheep-

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herder's tent with me, but then I realized that this was just what I wanted—for them to reach out into the world for new contacts and to broaden their experiences. They were making contact with a man who was a far cry from the city men they knew. I realized how this could work two ways when one of the horse wranglers and packers, Ronnie, a fine young fellow of 18, asked if I minded if he unrolled his sleeping sack in my tent.

Even though it was late, I could hear the drone of voices outside; inside our tent Ronnie and I were talking, too. He questioned me seriously about the advisability of going back and finishing high school, even though he was "too old." He, like my own boys, was reaching out—adventuring!

The next morning we said good-bye to part of the group and started our float trip down the Middle Fork. This fabulous river was considered unnavigable until 1936. That year, Dr. R. G. Frazier, of Bingham Canyon, Utah, boated the stream's full length. The doctor had made two unsuccessful attempts, the rocks and boulders grinding his wooden boats to toothpicks. This third and successful attempt was made in three boats, two of wood, reinforced with corded belting, and one air-inflated rubber boat. Surprisingly, the rubber boat made the trip better than the others.

Andy Anderson, profiting by Frazier's experiences, has used the rubber boats very successfully. Ours were war surplus Marine assault boats. They had seven separate air compartments, and were unsinkable. During our trip, made at low-water stage, the bottoms were continually dragging on submerged boulders.

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Each passenger was encased in a rubber cocoon: rubber pants, slicker jacket, and Mae West life preserver. This life jacket is an ingenious affair—if the wearer falls in the water and is knocked out, it floats him on his back in such a way that it keeps his head above water.

The trip down the river is through some of Idaho's—and America's—most scenic wonder country. The river banks abound with wildlife. Ducks and other waterfowl are surprised at every bend. Trout of many species will follow every lure cast from the boat. Once we saw the formless shadow of an otter swimming underwater alongside our craft. The shore line gave us glimpses of bear, elk, deer; and as we progressed farther down the canyon, we saw mountain goats and mountain sheep on the sheer cliffs overhanging the Middle Fork.

Too, the canyon through which this branch of the Salmon flows is historically rich with stories, fantastic yarns, which Andy unwound for us on the way down.

The first night, after one day on the river, was spent at "Pappy" Bennett's Ranch—a monument to the man's bulldog determination. Pappy, now in his 70's, was an

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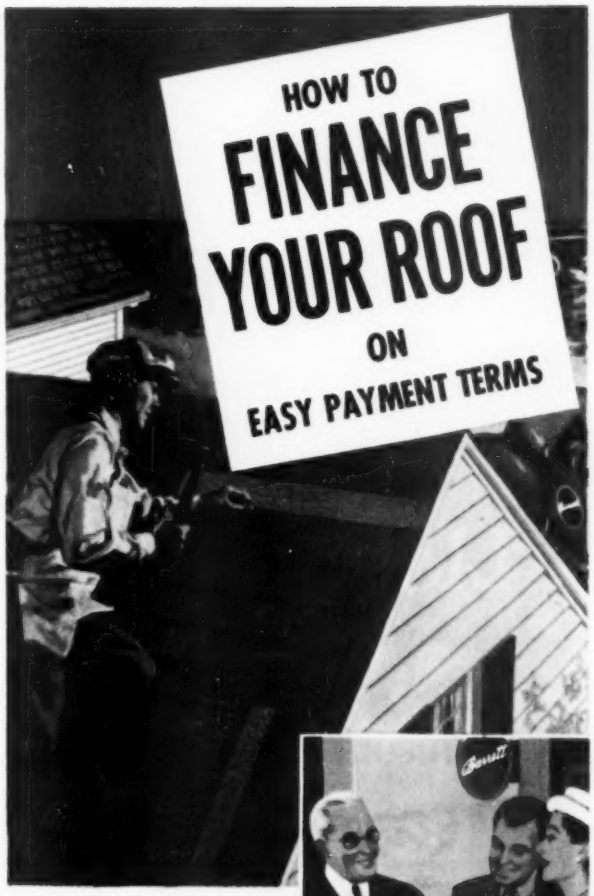

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The boys and I regarded with considerable awe and admiration this grizzled, lean, and determined man who had made an oasis of comfort in the wilderness.

The river below the Bennett Ranch becomes really virgin country, and the water becomes wilder, the rapids more turbulent. It snatched the boats away from the oarsmen and roared between the canyon's sheer rock walls with us, giving thrills far surpassing any roller coaster we'd ever ridden.

Time after time we would carom from boulder to boulder, sometimes bouncing off gently and being swept away in the roaring current. Other times we'd be pitched up on a projecting boulder, where we'd balance momentarily, the water tearing at us on each side. But Andy would soon spin the boat off, with short, quick strokes of his stubby oars, and away we'd go to another adventure around the next bend.

That second night on the Middle Fork, we neared the Impassable Canyon, just above which was a huge overhanging cliff that formed a shelter. It was known as Indian Cave, and was the last stronghold of the Sheepeater Indians. These were a group of rugged individualists of many tribes, who held out to the last against the invading white man. Finally only three of the red men were left. These retreated into the rugged Middle Fork country until they were backed up against the Impassable Canyon. Soldiers finally drove the three into the water, and in an attempt to swim the river, two drowned, one escaped—so the story goes. The boys and I wondered what became of that tragic lone Indian. It was a glimpse into the historic past, made all the more vivid because we camped below the big cave.

That evening David and I climbed to the cave, saw the smoke-stained roof and speculated on the great courage and morale of those Indians, trying to hold their country against invasion. As we clambered over the rocks, Dave in the lead, the stillness of the evening was suddenly stabbed by the angry buzz of a rattlesnake that had been warming himself in the slanting rays of the afternoon sun. Almost casually Dave paused while the poisonous reptile slithered away into the rocks. We by-passed him. There had been no display of fear from the boy, just a wholesome respect for a dangerous creature which in turn just wanted to be left alone. I was proud of the boy's reaction.

The next morning we roared through the Impassable Canyon.

When we started, we watched the river ahead, and when we were about to shoot a bad rapids, we'd put the fishing rods away and hang on, but by the middle of the second day we treated the rough water casually, and sometimes even made casts into likely looking pockets in the roiling stretch.

Cutthroat, Dolly Varden, and Rainbow trout strike at almost any lure offered. The fishing is marvelous, and so is the eating; we had trout for supper every evening!

Long before we came on this search for adventure, the boys and I had begun picking up stories of the fantastic hermit of the Middle Fork.

According to the best accounts available, Sam Parrott was, in the beginning, just another prospector in the Salmon River Mountains. Sam and two other prospectors, so the story goes, were en route to Salmon, Idaho, for supplies, when as mountain folk do, they stopped at the home of a friendly rancher to share news and a pot of coffee. Womanlike, the wife of the rancher chided the bachelors as she prepared a snack, and asked Sam, who was still a young man, why he didn't marry. At this, Sam rose from his chair, set his cup down, and walked out the door without a word. He stopped only long enough to pick up his belongings, then disappeared into the fastness of the Middle Fork country. Adventurers finally found him settled on the river, in the very roughest terrain in the area. He'd traveled overland, scaling cliffs with ropes, until he found the solitude he wanted—away from women. There he built a one-room cabin on the river bank. He raised his own vegetables and dried them. He got his meat from the sheep, goat, and elk herds roaming in the vicinity; and he fashioned sandals and clothing from the skins. He washed for placer gold constantly. After a few years of this complete isolation, he somehow made contact with a U. S. Forest Ranger, and by ladders of his own making scaled the cliffs, thus getting out of the canyon. He arranged a cache where he'd leave his bottle of gold dust for the ranger to pick up and trade for groceries,

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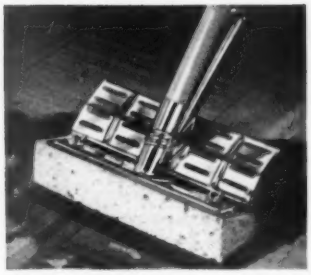

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which he'd leave in the same cache for Sam. According to the natives of the area, for the 35 years he spent in Bachelor Gulch, old Sam Parrott came out only five times—and never saw another woman!

The boys were fascinated by the story, and gleefully photographed me in what they predicted would be my future home—after I'd survived the hard years of fatherhood. This jocular camaraderie is one of the most enjoyable features of a good relationship between a man and his sons, in my estimation. It spells for me real, relaxed affection. And while it sometimes seems hard to establish at home in the routine of work and school, it comes easily and naturally on trips like this, where everyone has to cooperate to make the trip possible.

One more incident furnished further proof that the Salmon River trip paid. The boys were learning to accept experiences which came their way with the calm and thoughtfulness of people capable of handling themselves and coping with emergencies.

It was the last full day on the river, and it was our most exciting adventure. Our boat was swept into the Hancock Rapids. We skipped from wave to wave, to dash into a huge rock that centered the stream. Our boat balanced momentarily against the boulder, then the upstream edge began to turn under because of the force of the torrent, and water poured in. David, on the upstream side, was yelling excitedly as he began to sink, and was soon sitting waist-deep in water. The boat filled. All this time, while we braced ourselves for the plunge into the water, Andy was spinning the boat off the rock with his oars, and finally we floated free, but were still half-submerged. It had been a breath-taking time for all of us—another adventure.

Later I asked the boys what they would have done had we capsized. Both said they would have floated through the rapids to the quiet pool below, and then swum to shore, aided, of course, by the Mae Wests they were wearing. They had remembered the lessons we'd given them in the canal at home: never fight the current, but save your strength and work toward quiet eddies or pools as you float, from where you can usually reach shore. Although I was glad the test hadn't actually come, I felt pretty sure the most serious thing that could have happened was a few skinned and bruised places and a thorough soaking.

That night as Andy prepared supper, a cold, drizzling rain began to fall. No question about it: We would have to spend a night in the rain. I was interested to see how we could arrange for a dry place to sleep. This was right down Barry's alley. He didn't wait for Andy to tell us how; he recruited David, and they got to work. They built a sort of low, lean-to shelter from a canvas tarp. Another bed tarp served as a ground cloth, and the sleeping bags were spread there. They built up the sides with rock and dry branches, which acted as a windbreak. It was snug, dry, and warm. Again it gave me satisfaction to see the two taking hold in another difficult situation, proving their resourcefulness. That ability may come in handy someday in civilian or military life. It occurred to me that youngsters need to be prepared to adjust to as many situations as possible in these times. The challenge presented by a trip like this was good warm-up stuff.

The next morning we floated out on the main Salmon—and our adventure in Idaho was almost over.

Was it worthwhile? Back home, Gladys and I went over the "ledger" again, totaling up costs and returns from the trip. Surprisingly, even many of the experiences that had seemed at the time sure to be items for the loss column, turned out to be credits—big ones. If for no other reason than because the boys had discovered that even misfortune may be turned to advantage, our "jinxed" Idaho trip was in the black column for us!

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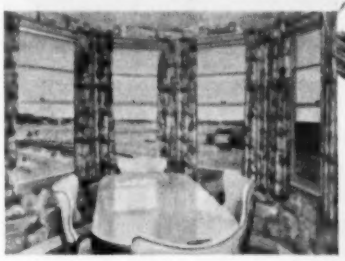

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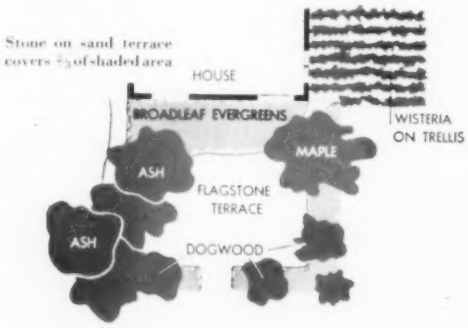
Shade or sun—

By June P. Wilson

Here's a practical way your family can enjoy the hot weeks of summer in cool comfort, colder days in comparative warmth. The answer is an outdoor terrace framed by trees, all natural growth, plus a minimum of shrubs and evergreens, which must be moved in.

You also get privacy and year-round green. It's an adaptable idea for you who build, buy, or own homes on wooded sites in or outside of cities. Selection of plants to keep means choosing those which won't grow out of bounds.

A good example is the home of Miriam H. Sykes, landscape designer, at Croton-on-Hudson, New York. Ash, maple, and dogwood trees leaf out to keep the terrace floor cool in summer; leaves are gone when the sun is needed to warm stones in fall and winter.



Wisteria vine on overhead trellis makes passage from house to terrace attractive. Some of the summer shade you see comes from a maple tree on left (you can see one branch just beyond arbor) and dogwoods

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Broadleaf evergreens, edged with pachysandra and English ivy, double as foundation plantings for house and permanent frame of green for terrace. Ash trees provide shade that makes terrace inviting

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Rhododendrons and andromedas predominate in planting near house, soften terrace edge. Azaleas and dogwood (left) provide succession of bloom. Careful pruning prevents top growth from covering windows

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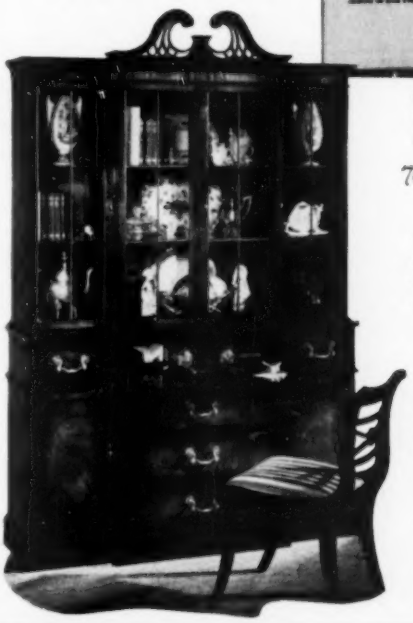

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Try these ideas for easier living

By Ruth W. Lee

Why didn't I think of that? You'll ask yourself that question after you see these attractive, useful ideas from the Charles H. Lipman home, Highland Park, Illinois.

Well, Mr. Lipman did think of them. His home is full of his own handiwork, and improves with each addition that he designs. The family's enthusiastic about his hobby. They know his newest "invention" will mean another stepsaving or ordermaking idea for the home.

Take advantage of Mr. Lipman's originality. Look around your own home. There are probably many ways these same ideas will fit right in with your family's living habits, and it's fun developing them.

Neat built-in china and storage wall at dining end of living room has hidden secret

Photographs: Hedrich-Blessing

Look! Panel disappears and table slides through passageway, already set for Mom to say, "Come and get it!" The table's on large wheels and is easily moved between the dining section and the kitchen. There's enough overhead clearance for dishes; even the high coffeepot makes the trip without mishap

All Mom has to do is set the table in the kitchen and push it through. After dinner, just push the table and soiled dishes back into the kitchen. Wheels lock when table is set out for use so there's no danger of your dinner landing in the front hallway. Push-through table is a wonderful stepsaver

Here's the table, part way into the kitchen. The top section of the pass-through slides down. Notice that there's a built-in bench along the wall in both rooms. This is where you eat breakfast and snacks in the kitchen. In dining section, on the other side, the bench eliminates the need for so many chairs

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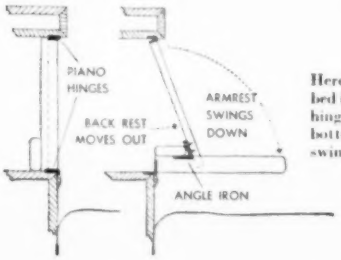
A bedroom that any boy would be proud to call his own! Mr. Lipman designed and made this headboard and twin-bed arrangement for his son's room. Three handy shelves are built in to the side of each bed

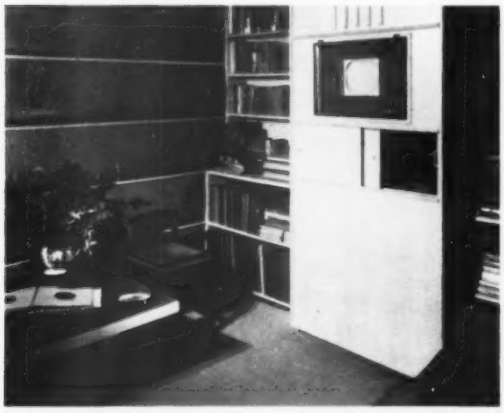
If the boy wants to sit up and read in bed, back tilts forward and two "arms" come down to the right position for comfortable reading



Here's how to make the bed back-rest unit. Piano hinges support top and bottom of board. Board swings out, arms down

No "coffee-table clutter" here. Mr. Lipman built this oversized table to serve the long couch and two large chairs at each end of it. He put it on casters to make it easier to move it out on cleaning day. The table is 16½ inches high, 36 inches wide, and 48 inches long

Porch sofa bed was made from scraps of white birch left over from the work Mr. Lipman did on the interior of his home. The unit has a foam-rubber mattress covered in practical, dark green canvas. Unit has same design as coffee table and has casters for easy moving, too



Handsome built-in houses television set, radio, and record-player in one wall of the den. On either side, Mr. Lipman added shelf storage space for books and records. Built-in takes about half the space units and shelves would usually require—and is more convenient

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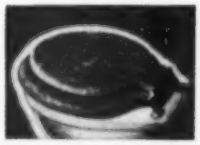

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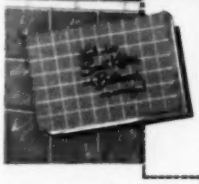

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This pull-out rod is something Mr. Lipman says the family wouldn't be without now that they've used it. The copper rod pulls out from the wall next to the entrance-hall closet. It's fine for your damp coats or a place to hang the cleaning temporarily. Architect: Henry Dubin

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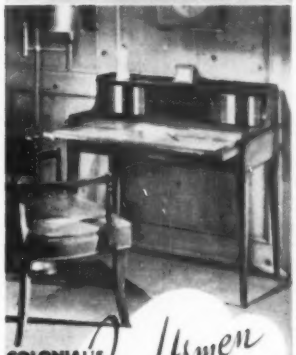

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By Frances Trenebaum

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Here's how: All you need is half an hour just before going to bed. Your first step is a fast tour of the living room. (Why not turn on some music?)

Quickly remove all ash trays, wilted flowers, toys, or articles that are out of place. Return magazines and books to their shelves and get rid of the morning paper. Fluff up cushions. Then go over the floor with a carpet sweeper or dry mop. Last of all, dust.

Does it sound like the same old job you've been doing every day for years? It is, of course. But unless you've tried it at night—with no distractions of children, telephone calls, or delivery boys—you'll never believe how much quicker it goes.

If you have a rumpus room or study, repeat the same here. Don't forget the hall, but *do* forget the bathroom. By the time your husband has finished shaving and showering in the morning, you'd have to repeat the cleaning.

Next is the laundry. Doing a load a day or a load two or three times a week is a timesaver. With an automatic washer in the house, nighttime is a good time for laundering. Just add soap, turn the dial, and forget the clothes until morning. Or, if you have a dryer, toss the clean, damp clothes into it just before going to bed.

Now two more quickies. Put the washed and drained dishes away, instead of waiting until morning. Then one last trip around the house to gather and empty waste-baskets in every room.

In the bedroom, clear the dresser tops and night tables of all items except those you expect to use before going to bed. Your room will look restful.

Does it sound too simple to be good? It's simple all right; and just think about what you'll wake up to tomorrow! Your living room and hall won't have to be touched. Laundry's finished, and your bedroom will be in order in minutes. You face the morning with hours of work done!

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Vine crops—pole snap and Lima beans, tomatoes, squash, and cucumbers—can be trained on a fence you have, or can set up temporarily, and they won't take much more than radish space.

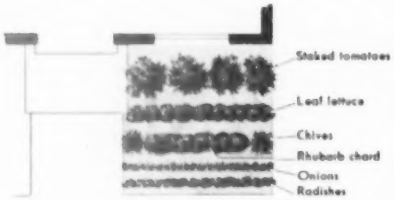
Salad crops—tangy radishes, leaf lettuce, onions, chives, rhubarb chard, and tomatoes—can be fitted in tiny spaces and odd corners that might otherwise be wasted.

Hardy perennial vegetables—rhubarb, Egyptian onions, sage, and summer savory—yield big returns for the space and care you'll need to give them. A plant or two of the kinds your family likes best will supply your kitchen needs.

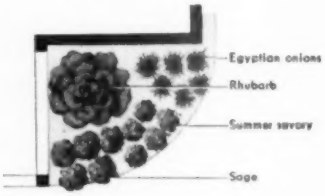
For top results with any small-space garden, you'll need to plant in good garden soil, located where it gets the sun at least half the day.

Space preparation. Your tiny | *Turn to page 310*

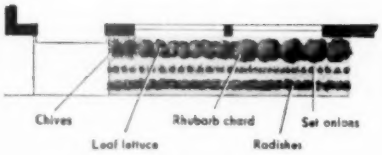
Use your odd corners to grow salad crops for your table



In 5x5-foot space, put in 4 tomato plants 15 inches apart. Plant leaf lettuce in solid row. Space rhubarb chard 10 inches apart, with a chive plant on each end. Complete planting with solid row of radishes and a row of onions set 3 inches apart



Make a permanent planting in a corner shaped like a wedge of pie. Center a rhubarb plant 2 feet from house. Set down a cluster of Egyptian onions and several summer savory plants. Put in a sage plant or two to flavor your soups



In a 2x8-foot strip, split a row between leaf lettuce and rhubard chard, with chive plants 4 inches apart at end. Plant a row of set onions and a row of radishes to complete tiny garden. You can replace lettuce with endive or Chinese cabbage

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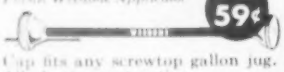

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Outdoor living—teen-ager styled!

By Miriam Elder

Our 14-year-old son, Mike, found time dragging slowly when school was over last spring. But a hint started him planning and creating right at home—provided a challenge and an outlet for his energy.

"Our back yard is a problem for an expert," I told him. "Do you think we can make it look better?"

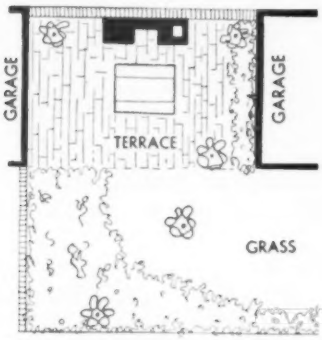
A tumble-down board fence partly separated our property from the neighbor's in the rear, and another old fence ran from the neighbor's garage wall to our garage. Bare spots featured the lawn space.

With his dad helping plan, and guiding his building zeal, Mike hauled soil to fill low places, replaced the fences with 6-foot walls of building blocks, built a combination barbecue-incinerator unit, and paved a corner terrace with bricks. He made a trellis and planted a vine to cover the wall of the neighbor's garage, and planted annuals, perennials, and trees.

Mike contributed many workable ideas—and did more than half of the actual work. The gardening was his own project, and he experienced keen joy in making it take shape. Although the construction is completed, his interest in gardening continues.

BEFORE The Elder back yard seemed hopeless, but son, Mike, saw a building-planting project in it. Stark wall, above left, is the back of a neighbor's garage. Two walls now connect with garage for real privacy

AFTER Much of Mike Elder's free time, when he isn't in school near his home in South Gate, California, is spent with friends on the living terrace he made of bricks on a sand bed. Fireplace in block wall was a joint project of father and son from own plans



Terrace, 19'x28', fits between two garages

Photographs: de Gennaro

Mike used bricks, laid end to end, to edge a large planting bed. Planting is a mixture of zinnias, geraniums, and mums, plus shrubs. Trellis on garage wall supports a passion vine. Young tree is a birch

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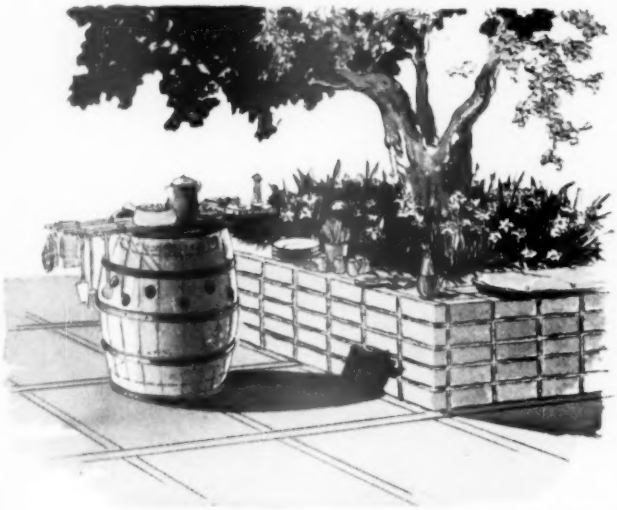
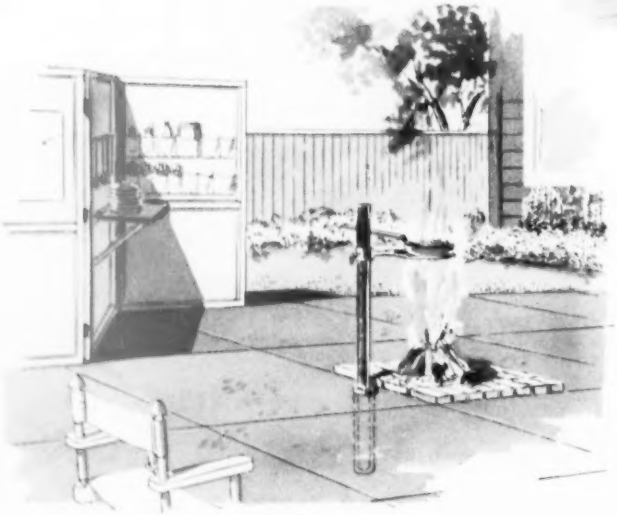
Place your barbecue unit away from nearby trees and shrubs to avoid damage to overhanging branches from rising heat.

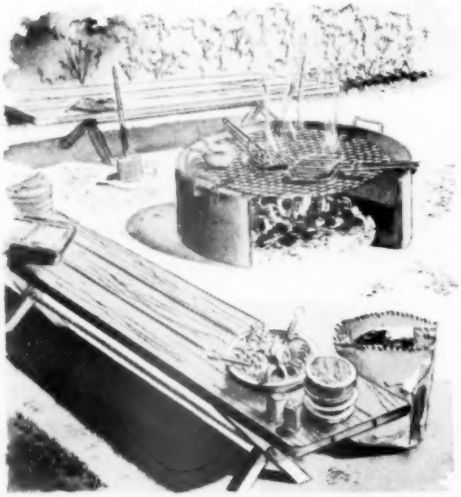


Old barrel. Bore holes in the sides of a removable pan and insert in old barrel. Cover bottom of pan with sand as a base for charcoal. Line sides of pan between holes with asbestos insulation. Run grid rods through staples in the barrel rim to hold firmly



Adjustable grill. Iron pipe fitted with collar, pin, and grid gives you a cooking platform over coals on firebricks. Screen protects from the wind, simplifies the food service

Douglas Baylis, landscape architect; Gordon Drake, designer



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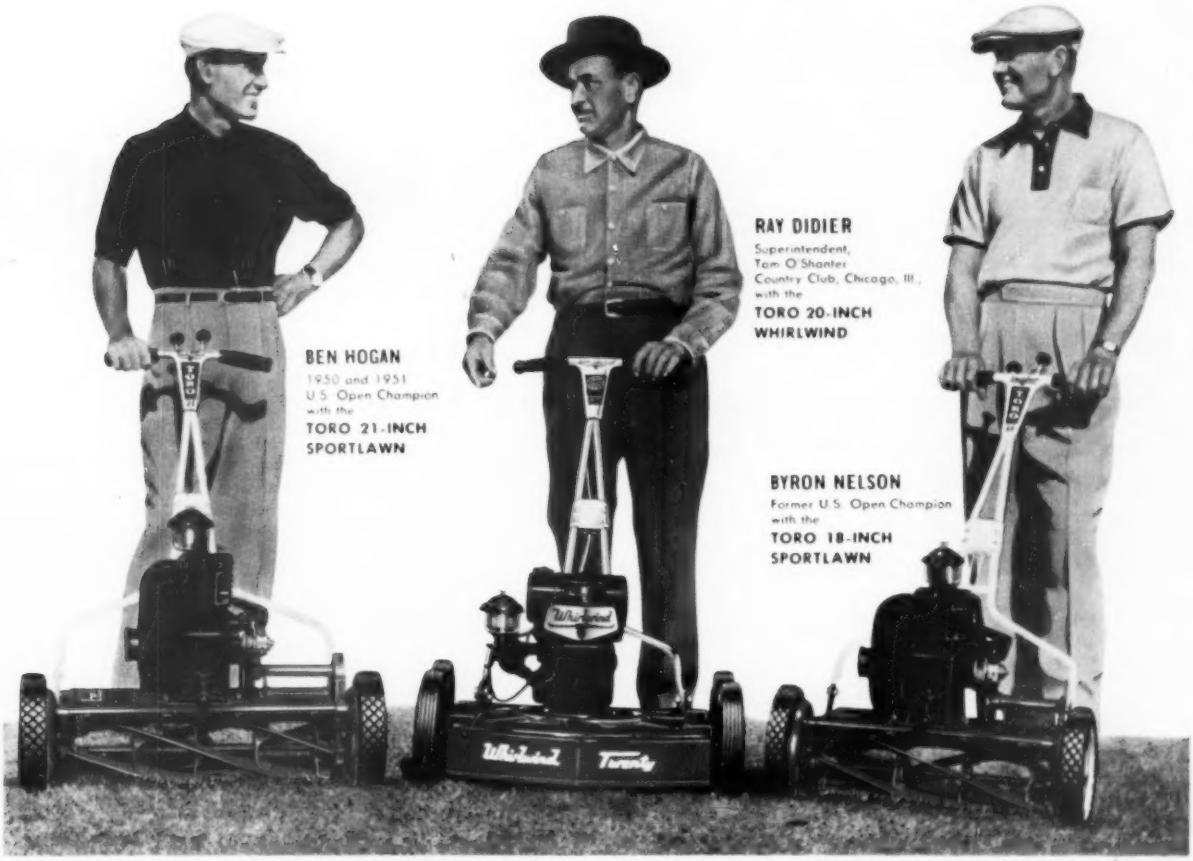

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In some areas, you can buy started plants. But tubers are more commonly planted. You'll need to plant the tubers in late May or early June.

Apply compost to well-drained soil, and spade deeply. Be sure your dahlias will get sun for half the day. Pay no attention to size of tubers; it has no relationship to the size of the blooms you'll get.

For large exhibition blooms, grow the kinds cataloged as such. Grow them as shown and described here, step by step. Grow small-flowered dahlias the same way, with this important exception: When you prune, remove nothing from the small-flowered kinds except the tips, to make your plants bushy.

For other flowers to plant, see "Grow Plenty to Cut," page 72, and "How to Grow Gladiolus," page 37.

If you're starting with undivided dahlia roots, cut them apart with a stout knife.

Cut each tuber off with a wedge of the crown attached. The crown is the thickened area just above spot where the roots join. Dahlias won't grow unless this bit of crown and stem is still attached, in each case, to the tuber.

If buds have already started, be extremely careful that you don't crack them off when you plant the tubers.

Space dahlias 3 feet apart—2 feet for smaller kinds.

Make planting holes 4 to 6 inches deep. If needed, mix a tablespoon of balanced plant food in bottom. Cover with soil. Then put tuber on its side. Cover with an inch of soil, and water well.

Dahlias need staking when they get 20 inches tall. To keep from crushing roots later, set 16-inch stakes 10 inches into ground beside planting holes. When supports are needed, replace short stakes with permanent ones 5 to 6 feet tall, set in the holes already there.

Set tubers with buds near stakes so stems rise close by.

# of growing them

You'll have fun growing the dahlias you favor. Follow these helpful steps

Fill hole in gradually with soil as the shoot grows.

If more than one shoot grows from the tuber, cut off all shoots except the one that is most vigorous.

Shortly after the second pair of leaves has formed, cut out the top of each dahlia. Make the cut about ½ inch above the second pair of leaves. Then the plant will grow with several stems instead of just one.

The growth will come from the buds, one to be found where each leaf joins stem.

Sprinkle a small handful of balanced plant food into a shallow, circular furrow dug around each plant when the shoots stretch about 5 inches. One such feeding should be enough if your soil is rich.

Pour water into the furrow and let it soak in. Repeat several times. This will dissolve most of the plant food and carry it to the roots so the plant can take it in.

Carefully draw the soil back to fill in the furrow.

Photographs: Stanley

Water once a week through the season if no rain falls. Constant growth will give you the finest blooms.

If your soil is poor, give your plants two additional feedings at 3- to 4-week intervals. Follow each feeding with a generous watering.

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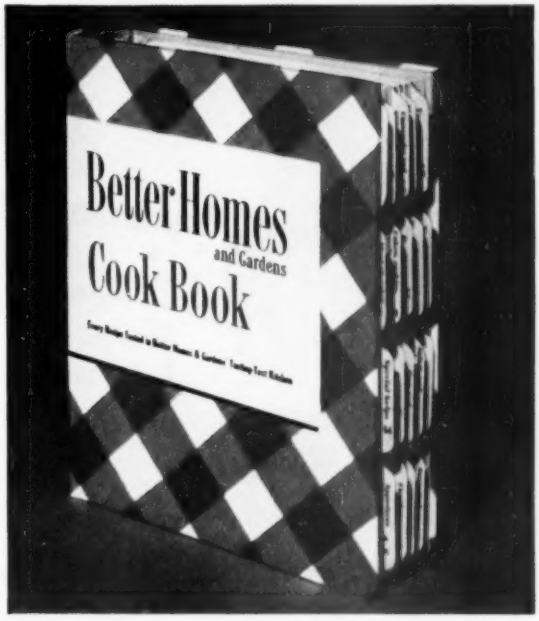

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Dahlias—the ABC's of growing them

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Hoe your dahlia plants weekly until they are about the size shown here.

Hoe plants carefully so they won't be injured. Keep your hoe out 10 to 12 inches from plant stems. Hold hoe high and draw it through the soil no more than an inch deep, to cut weeds and break up the soil crust.

When plants get this big, it's best to stop cultivating and spread a mulch, about 2 inches of well-rotted compost or dried grass, around each plant. This helps hold moisture, discourages weeds.

Examine the principal stems on plants from which you hope to get exhibition blooms.

Let a strong shoot remain at the base of each to give you late flowers. But pull other new shoots off. Keep removing these new shoots as soon as they appear.

A flower bud will form at the tip of each of the selected stems. Permit these flower buds to develop.

By breaking out all the smaller buds that appear, you will throw all the strength into the large, exhibition bloom on each selected stem.

Put tall stakes in place by the time your plants get to be nearly 2 feet tall.

Tie stems to stakes with inconspicuous cord or commercial plant ties that are of generous length.

Tie cord around stake first. Run free ends around stem and tie loosely. Add more ties as plants need them.

Careful staking is necessary if your dahlias are to weather heavy winds and rain.

Protect your dahlias by applying a multipurpose dust or spray every 7 to 10 days—one containing methoxychlor.

Leaf hoppers, tarnished plant bugs, and mildew on foliage are some of the more common troubles. Coat entire plants lightly.

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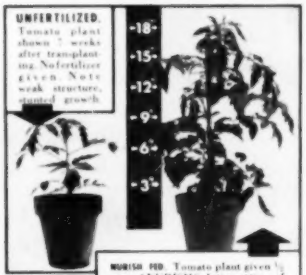

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Plain dirt gardener

By Harry R. O'Brien

Ground was wet today, but did cut some asparagus. Brought in with it, to the great astonishment of my family, the first radishes of the season

May 1 Bright summer day, thermometer up to 85 or thereabout. Dandelions yellow all over our neglected lawn. And a mountain of work to be done all at once—which won't be done that way.

I opened the attack on it, though, by finishing up a belated seed sowing of a few more annual flowers that didn't get sown in the coldframe last month. It's a bit late, but they will make better plants if I grow them there and then transplant at my leisure where I want the bloom. It is still too early hereabout to sow annuals of the semihardy or tender sorts out in the open.

Then when I went after weeds and heavy spring cultivating in the rose beds, David unlimbered the power mower and moved to attack the front lawn—for the first cutting of the year. He had the cutter bar set high, at least an inch and a half or higher. He says this is better for the grass than a close shave—and that's exactly right.

Meanwhile Mrs. Maggie had gathered asparagus, now coming on fast, and rhubarb for stewing. There was too much asparagus for supper, so she put the surplus down in our zero box in the basement. Same time she also put a package of rhubarb ditto. This will continue by spells all this month; and spinach will be frozen too—if we get a crop. Then next will come strawberries and peas.

Our *Viburnum carlesi*, the fragrant viburnum, is coming into bloom—one of the greatest of shrubs for home landscapes.

May 3 Once again, the joint birthday of the two young gentlemen of our household has arrived. As they approached the breakfast table, they discovered useful gifts awaiting them. No sooner were they off—David to his classes and Donald to his work—than Maggie was busy in the kitchen, at the inevitable angel cake.

With great thanksgiving, I hurried to my study desk right after breakfast, for I had some emergency work to do at my home typewriter as the first chore of the day. Looking out the window—glory be—the President Grevy lilacs outside are all in bloom. The blooms are not so big as usual and lighter in color than normal. I wonder why?

My thanks, though, are because Maggie has employed a professional window washer to give the house windows their annual spring cleaning. He was at the door by 8 to begin. This means I won't have to leave my flowers and vegetables to do it.

May 4 Out to work toward late afternoon. First chore was to set out new perennials, which had arrived in a carton from a nursery. These included a new rudbeckia, two new varieties of Shasta daisies, three new mum varieties. I need a lot more mums, but I hope to find them in stock at one of our local nurseries. About now is a good time to set them out around here.

Then to begin transplanting vegetable seedlings from the hotbed into the coldframe. I got out all the tomatoes—Rutgers, Marglobe, Clinton Hybrid, and some plants of Valiant that I'm trying out this year, a medium early. Then two kinds of cauliflower—Burpeanna and White Snow.

I kneeled on a board and put them in rows, about 3-4 inches apart in the row, and the rows 4-5 inches apart. Then I watered them in well with a tablespoon of high-analysis plant food to the gallon, dissolved in the water. Three tablespoonfuls of a standard garden plant food can be used just as well. This gives 'em a quick pick-me-up, and they don't wilt.

Meanwhile, David was applying plant food around the little oak tree on the front lawn. He says the tree isn't doing as well as it should, and he thinks some extra feeding is just what it needs.

All of us in for supper, and there Maggie had the rest of that angel cake on the table.

May 5 Oh ho—the thermometer down to nearly 40 this a.m. and so had to hurry down to basement and rouse up the furnace again to keep it warm for Maggie and the boys. Up to 60 by worktime, but still chilly.

Well, I carried on with that transplanting and got cabbage seedlings into the coldframe. There still remain peppers, broccoli, and eggplant. Spent some happy moments in further cultivating amid the roses and began going over the iris beds.

Meanwhile, David got out the artillery and made a major assault. First, with the power mower, he finished cutting the grass clear back to the last path between the vegetable plots on the other side of the bushes. Next he got out the garden tiller and, with the teeth set lightly, he gave the asparagus bed a going over to kill off the million weed seeds germinating. He also worked over three rose beds and the bed of daylilies.

May 6 The first thing I did was to take the wheel hoe and cultivate the bed of early vegetables, now coming famously. It is the careful, early cultivating, while the plants are small, that gets the little weeds and saves much work later. Just think—radishes in a week, now.

By quitting time, the wind was so chilly, I battened down the sash

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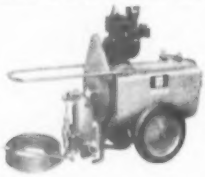

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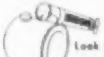

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The diary of a plain dirt gardener

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over the coldframe. Put the sash back on the hotbed. I don't want to take a chance of frost tonight.

News is that our Baldwin apple tree in the back yard is now covered with its light pink bloom. I saw the first blooms on the strawberries. More lilacs are out. The narcissus are about all gone except the late-blooming sorts. A few tulips are opening out.

May 8 In my coldframe I had sowed seeds of those 1952 All America petunias and a few other choice sorts. I had mixed a goodly amount of vermiculite into the top, soil. And the seedlings are coming up now, strong and healthy.

While I was carrying out nine buckets of water and pouring it between the rows of transplanted vegetables and the annual seeds coming up in the coldframe, David got out the tiller and began the big Maytime chore of working up the ground in our main vegetable patch. The soil was dry. There is a crop of clover on part of it. The tiller tore into the ground and did a good job of working up the soil in one operation. This is the fourth year now we have used the tiller to prepare the vegetable ground.

May 10 David won and I lost the day's battle. With the tiller, he finished up the center panel of the vegetable garden. I labored with might and main to get the weeds out of the front east rose bed. I was still four rows short by the time David was through.

At that minute the heavens opened and did pour upon us. David headed for the garage with the tiller putt-putting as hard as he could make it. With hoe in one hand and can of fuel in the other, I clomped-clomped ditto. We both got so considerably soaked we had to change clothes.

May 12 Ground too wet to work, I decided, after cultivating a few of my early potatoes. Took in first radishes of season to great astonishment of family. Cut asparagus.

May 13 As I worked, looking after coldframe and whatnot, Maggie wandered around. Kept asking me why I hadn't done this and that. And hurray—the first iris is out. It is one of the old Intermediate varieties, maybe Kochii.

May 16 As I wheel-hoed the early vegetables, sad news is that the spinach crop is a failure. There will be a mess or two from the first sowing. The second sowing is no good. The third just never came up. I'll work the space over and set out asters or marigolds there.

May 18 Theme song tonight was "Bringing in the Sheaves"—only it was asparagus and radishes, and Maggie gathered leaf lettuce which she wilted for supper. I started in to go all over the rose beds again.

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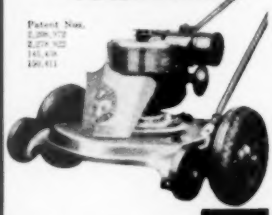

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too, the old-fashioned and the new-fangled potato bugs, and whatnot. Tonight when I watered my vegetable seedlings in the coldframe, I dissolved some more high-analysis plant food in the water.

May 20 First tall bearded iris is open—Blue Shimmer. Worktime came, and David went over our vegetable patch again with the tiller to kill out weeds germinating. Then Donald and I started in to make the main planting of vegetables—several hybrids of sweet corn that will mature at different times, bush beans, Lima beans. We dropped pumpkin and squash seeds in with the corn.

May 21 Began transplanting vegetable seedlings from coldframe into the garden. I got out the tomatoes today and in next day or two, the cabbage and other things will follow. I set them out in dry soil. Donald follows and waters them in, with plant food dissolved in the water. The next day we cultivate, to pull dry soil over the damp.

Other news is that the iris are now opening up in a great flood of color.

May 25 My Cuthbertson sweet-peas are bigger and more thrifty than any I have ever had at this time of year. Season has been good for them. I carefully hand-weeded them. Cultivated them. Watered them with plant food in the water. Then looked around for the stakes I had used last year.

May 26 Dark and dismal, rain and universal dampness end the month. But peonies are coming out. Memorial daisies are in bloom. Color is beginning to appear here and yon in the rose beds.

May 30 Home and worked at seasonal chores today. (Somewhere I forgot to record that Donald and I put out the main planting of potatoes the other day and five rows of glads across the vegetable garden.)

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I must point out that this was not a good test in a scientific sense. Not enough plants were available to lay out alternate blocks with untreated plants as checks or controls. But the test indicates there is hope Phygon can and will conquer black spot of roses, mildew, and other diseases of all types of plants.

If woody plants can be treated, the field for experimentation is enormous. Diseases of apple trees, including deadly fire blight, can keep researchers busy for years.

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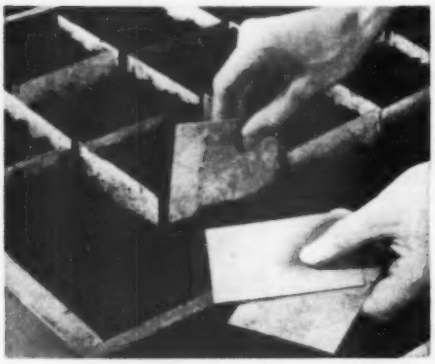

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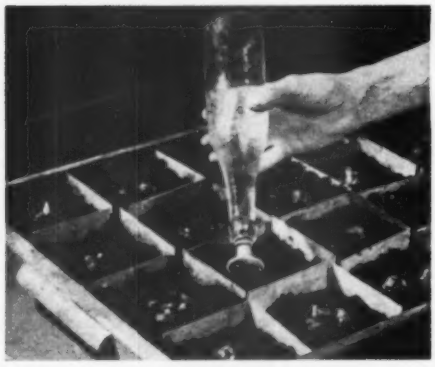

Watering must be done with care. Dribble water around, never into, sprouting tubers. After shifting to pots or beds, use fine spray often but don't waterlog soil. To avoid fungus troubles, leave bit of stem when you cut each bloom

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per lip fails to unite with another part and leaves a narrow opening. The plastic operation consists of bringing the central muscular layer of the lip together with a few catgut stitches. Then the edges of the mucous membrane are woven together from the inside with fine, silk threads.

A cleft palate deformity occurs when the bones forming the roof of the mouth fail to fuse when the unborn infant is in the embryo stage and result in an unnatural opening between the nose and the mouth. The operation to clear up this condition consists of bringing the bones together and holding them with silver sutures until the union is complete. Although cleft palates present greater problems than harelips, the use of improved instruments has recently improved the chances for successful operations in these cases. The stitches now used are finer than hair and are therefore scarcely visible at all.

Sometimes, the tissues of the lip become overdeveloped in the embryo and a child is born with unnaturally thick lips. Dr. Arthur Wilson, a psychiatrist, recently described the case of a young man whose thick lips were a target for ridicule almost as soon as he began public school. He soon discovered that when he laughed or smiled broadly, his lips seemed to take on an especially distasteful appearance. As a result, he stopped laughing and would lapse into prolonged periods of melancholia. When he finished high school, he got a job as a salesman but a salesman with an inferiority complex who can never bring himself to laugh can hardly expect to collect many commissions. In desperation, the young man went to the psychiatrist who in turn recommended a plastic operation. "He'd never dreamed of plastic surgery," says Doctor Wilson. "He'd always assumed it was just an expensive luxury for movie stars."

The operation itself was comparatively simple. After the patient was given a local anesthetic, an incision was made into the lips from inside the mouth. Then an elliptical portion of excess tissue was cut away and the lips reshaped. When it was all over, there wasn't a reason in the world for anyone to call the young man "Glutton Lips" again.

A child who is born with small warts or moles on his face can have them removed by simple radiation. Sometimes, however, the wart is large and flat-topped, or a mole is equally large and hairy. In these cases, it becomes necessary to operate. First the offending wart or mole is cut out and then a skin-graft operation to cover the affected area is necessary. Since the emotional disturbance resulting because of a facial blemish of this kind is heightened by the fantastic (and groundless) superstitions still

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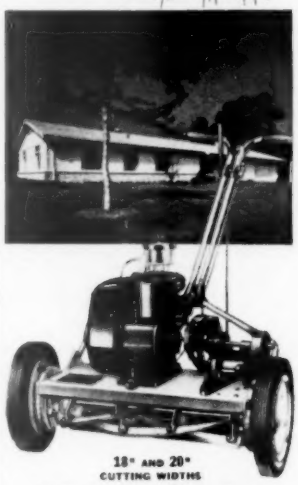

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current about warts and moles, these operations should be performed without undue delay.

Lumpy blood-vessel tumors and large scars also require surgical removal and skin grafts. Small scars, however, can be removed with the scalpel and the fresh edges of skin sewn together, eliminating the necessity for a graft.

In general, plastic operations on children should be performed before the child reaches school age. In cases such as harelips, cleft palates, and birthmarks, it is advisable to operate as soon after birth as possible so that the child will not even feel the emotional problem of its disfigurement. Most babies are strong enough to undergo harelip surgery when they are six weeks old.

Nose operations are an exception to this general rule. They often have to be delayed until the age of 17 because the nose keeps growing until that time. However, it takes a number of years before a nose deformity really becomes prominent.

One aspect of plastic surgery which is of little or no concern to young people but which may be extremely vital to the older person is the face-lifting operation. Age plays favorites. At 40 and 50, some men and women retain the firm, smooth skin of youth, but others are less fortunate. Deep wrinkles, jowls, double chins, sagging skin, and corrugated throats are their heritage. Modern face-lifts are accomplished by incisions made at the temple and within the hairline so that they are not externally visible. From the inside of the skin, the surgeon's instruments loosen up the skin all over the face. The skin is then pulled up and the excess tissue which has formed into wrinkles, jowls, bags, or double chins is lopped off.

An interesting study of the psychological value of face-lifting

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At strength of throwing arm
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There's admiration still, but now
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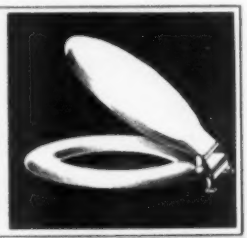

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operations was conducted recently by a group of U.C.L.A. senior students as part of a research project. They investigated the case histories of 50 women who had come to plastic surgeons because they felt their overgenerous supply of wrinkles was causing them to lose their husbands. In 30 percent of the cases, they discovered that the wrinkles were serving merely as outlets for feminine emotions and that the marital difficulties were actually being caused by other factors. In the remaining 70 percent of the cases, however, the survey showed that it was indeed the lines of age which had caused husbandly eyes to rove. In the majority of these cases, marital breakups were averted, which indicated that the operations did have a great deal of value.

Not all of "cosmetic" plastic surgery is concerned with malformed facial features. One of the most important problems that many young girls are faced with is an overdeveloped and pendulous breast. Recently, a young girl was admitted to a mental institution after suffering a nervous breakdown. It turned out that she had been suffering tormenting inhibitions about her breasts ever since they began to develop in abnormal fashion when she was only 8 years old. Desperately frightened that the girls and boys in her neighborhood would find her "different," she began using extremely restrictive supports until they nearly stifled her. When she was in her teens, her breasts became pro-

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Whenever we enter, we utter a
groan,
The sight is not one of our
pleasures.

For a shelf is a shelf and a toy
is a toy
And seldom the twain
shall meet
So long, I suppose, as our
boy is our boy.
(Look out, there, under
your feet!)

But someday the lad will be
gone from his room
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—*Richard Armour*

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When plastic surgery was recommended, she resisted violently. "An operation on the breast will give me a cancer," she screamed. It was only after repeated assurances that her fear was groundless that she finally consented. The operation consisted of cutting out the excess skin, fat, and glandular tissue from the breast. This was done by making an incision in the fold at the lower border of the breast—to avoid external scars. After the excess tissue was removed and the breasts made smaller, the glands were raised to their new positions and attached to the chest. Through an opening in the skin, the nipples were transposed to their new raised positions.

After the operation was completed, the girl had a well-formed bust that was neither pendulous nor too small. It will take some time before her mental scars are completely healed but she is already losing many of her earlier inhibitions and feelings of frustration.

There is little doubt that plastic surgery can help to surmount many an economic as well as a social and psychological barrier. One plastic surgeon who checked on the economic status of a number of salesmen on whom he'd operated found that their income had greatly increased since they'd presented their "new look" to the world. Personnel experts and employment agency executives agree that there is no question but that individuals with definitely malformed facial features often have a difficult time getting—and keeping—a decent job. As one employment agency head recently pointed out, "Employers pay lip service to the idea that a person with a facial defect should not be discriminated against, but they usually don't translate this idea into practice."

The good plastic surgeon is a doctor who is not only skilled in the use of the scalpel but also has the eye and the hand of the sculptor and a keen knowledge of accepted standards of beauty. If you are seeking a plastic operation for yourself or your child, your family doctor will undoubtedly be able to recommend you to a qualified surgeon.

In case of doubt, you can write to the American Medical Association, 535 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, to get the names of qualified plastic surgeons in your community, or nearby.

Beauty may be only skin deep, as the philosophers insist, but as long as we live in a society where malformed or disfigured faces constitute a serious threat to an individual's health, happiness, and well-being, then a visit to the plastic surgeon can become a matter of sheer necessity, rather than of mere vanity.

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Pull out excess seedlings while they are small, leaving plants spaced about 3 inches apart. You can make a second planting about the middle of August in the North.

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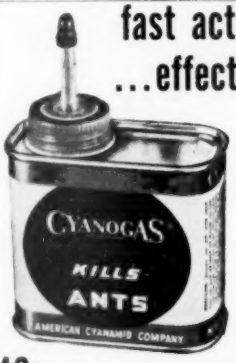

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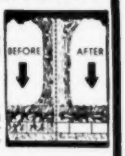

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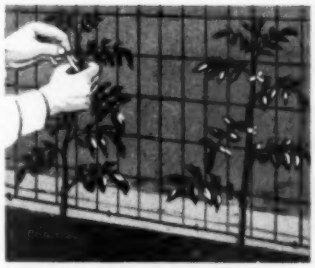
Planting. Spade, smooth a strip at fence base. In 2-inch furrow, space pole beans 2 seeds every 6 inches. Sow cukes in groups of 5 seeds, at 12-inch intervals. Thin.

Sow squash seed in groups 3 feet apart. Set tomatoes in holes 18 inches apart.

Feeding. Make a furrow 4 inches from stems of beans, on both sides if possible, when plants begin to twine. Side-dress with 1 cup plant food to each 25 feet of furrow. Water in and cover with soil.

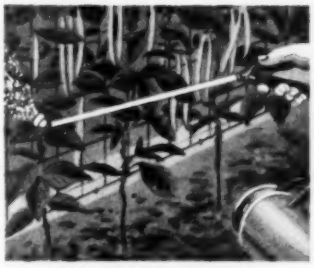
When planting cucumbers, squash, sprinkle plant food in bottom of hill, cover with soil.



Tying, weaving vines. Tie carefully into fence the unruly bean vines that don't catch hold. Handle your pole Limas in similar fashion.

Interlace cucumber and squash vines into fence so tendrils cling when plants are about 10 inches long.

Let 2 tomato stems develop. Tie to fence with cloth strips or commercial ties.



Pest control. Spray beans with rotenone, a pyrethrum-rotenone mixture, or methoxychlor to control beetles. Use lindane or P-R mixture for black lice beneath leaves. Same for pole Limas.

Keep old, new cucumber leaves coated with methoxychlor or P-R mixture to control striped cucumber beetles, young squash bugs.

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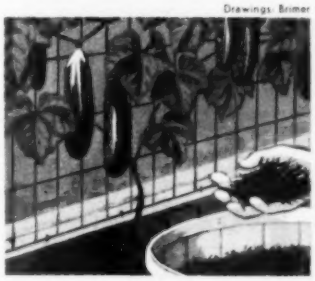

Mulching. Before weather gets hot and soil dry, spread several inches dried grass, weeds, or peatmoss on soil along both sides of fence at the base of your vines.

Apply similar mulch on the ground around tomato plants about 4 or 5 weeks after you set them out.

As large leaves of squash cast a dense shade, mulching usually isn't necessary.

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Set out bedding plants—geraniums, lantana, petunias, snapdragons—when danger of frost is past.

Plant glad bulbs at intervals of about two weeks and you'll get a succession of bloom.

Move house plants outdoors later in the month.

Keep gloxinias, African-violets, ferns, ivies out of direct sun; keep coleus, wax-begonias, and geraniums in part shade.

Cut blooms from tulips and daffodils as soon as they fade, to prevent seeds forming. Dig and burn tulips that appear diseased.

Water peonies regularly to get lush blooms.

Keep a sharp eye on bush and climbing roses for rose slugs—soft-bodied pests that skeletonize leaves. Spray or dust leaves with DDT, arsenate of lead, or a multipurpose combination.

Spray weeds away in established lawns with a 2,4-D

SOUTH-SOUTHEAST

Sow seed of perennials for next season's bloom now—dianthus, poppies, lupines, columbine, lobelia.

Plant centipede and St. Augustine grasses from sprigs in Lower South; zoysia grass in Lower and Middle South.

Sow seed of asters, cosmos, marigolds, nasturtiums, and zinnias; grow sweet alyssum, clarkia, impatiens in shady spots.

Plant dahlias, ismene, montbretia, tuberoses, and zephranthes in Upper and Middle South.

Start waterlilies in your pool.

Cut new lawns high to give them a chance to get well established.

Thin annuals you seeded earlier and see they are spaced 1 to 10 inches apart, depending on how high and wide they will grow.

Remove foliage of early spring-flowering bulbs when

CALIFORNIA

Plant some mums in boxes or pots so you can move them where needed at bloom time.

Sow seed of cucumbers, Lima beans, tomatoes, peppers, and eggplants—all warmth-loving crops.

Trim slender, new shoots of wisteria vines back to 3 or 4 buds.

Thin and feed summer annuals that are replacing spent winter annuals.

Spread a commercial "bait" around garden plants bothered by slugs and snails.

Plant Hall's honeysuckle, trailing lantana, honeybells, ivy geraniums, and thyme on banks in sun.

Water fruits and vegetables coming into bearing regularly.

Root new impatiens plants—cut 3- or 4-inch tips

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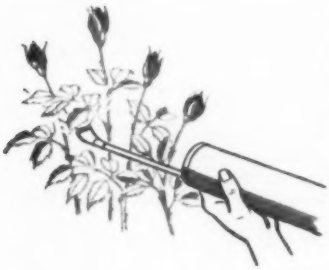


Coat the foliage of your roses (and other flowers in your garden that are bothered with pests) with a multipurpose dust or spray.

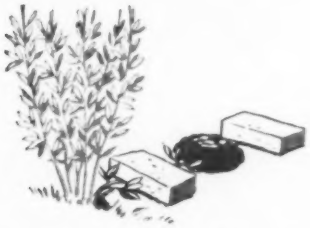
Plan to do this every 7 to 10 days all summer, and take especial care to direct your sprayer or dust-gun nozzle so you reach undersides of the leaves.

Nicotine dust or nicotine sulfate spray checks aphids.

weed killer. Spray on a day with no wind, and hold nozzle close to ground to prevent drifting spray.

Make first plantings of beans, corn, squash, and tomatoes when soil and air are warm.

Cut the flower stalks from your rhubarb plants.



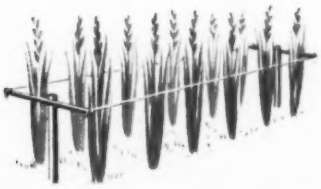
Start new plants of pyracantha, leucothoe, and evergreen shrubs by "layering" branches while they're still attached to mother plant.

Bend branch to ground, and weight with two bricks spaced a foot apart. Cover branch between bricks with soil. Top and root sprout from covered stem.

it turns brown and falls down. Dig and store bulbs, if desired—replace with zinnias or other annual flowers.

Keep azaleas, camellias, and gardenias mulched with 3 or 4 inches of acid peatmoss, pine needles, or oak leaves as dry weather approaches.

In Upper South feed azaleas, boxwood, camellias, gardenias, rhododendrons special acid plant food.



If you're growing glads to cut—maybe in rows along with your vegetables—they need protection from wind.

Stretch cords or wires down both sides of your row. Tie ends to crosspieces on stakes 18 inches high.

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from scraggly plants and place in water in hot sun.

Sow seed of biennials for bloom next season. Shade beds with cheesecloth supported by stakes.

Summer house plants in a shady spot outdoors.

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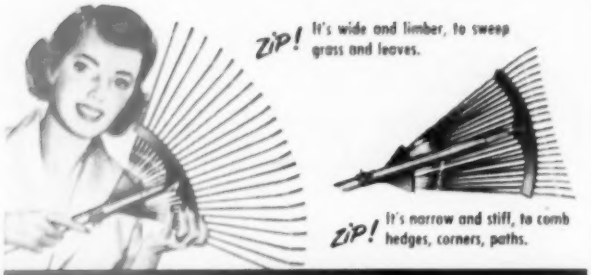

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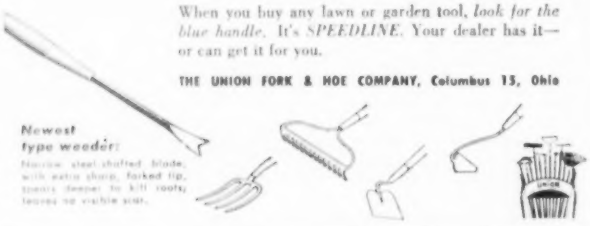

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By Perry Grant

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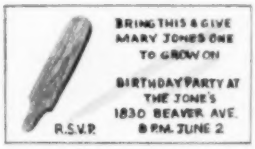

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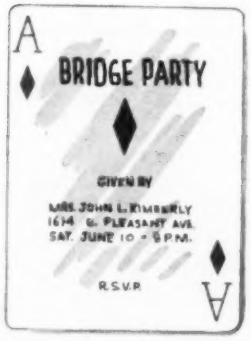

Bridge party

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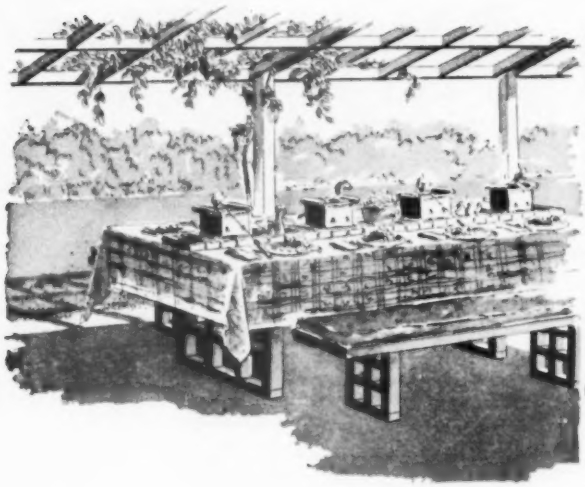
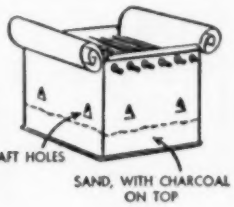
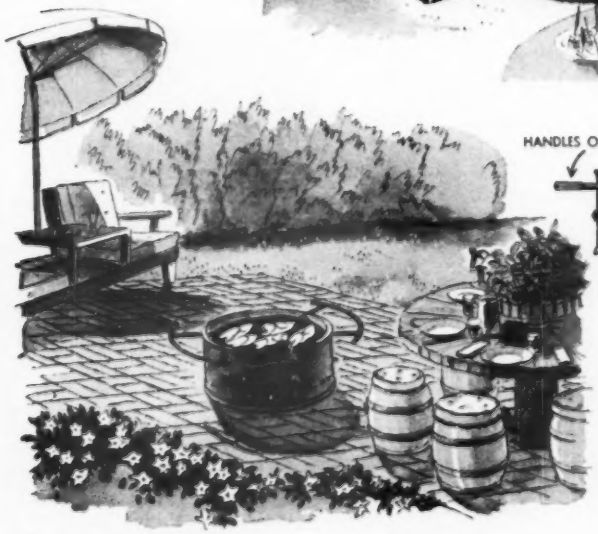
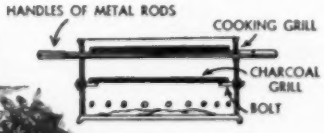


Five-gallon can. Charcoal on sand in square oilcans make individual barbecues. Line sides of the cans around the draft holes with some asbestos insulation to keep seams intact. Each barbecues his own at the table



Large pan. A heavy pan or garbage-can lid, with strap-iron legs bolted on, makes a usable, low-cost barbecue unit. Or you can use a Chinese "wak" pan, available at stores, up to 27 inches in diameter





One-quarter oil drum. Bottom fourth of oil barrel cut off with welding torch makes good, portable fireplace. For grate, use heavy wire mesh supported by bolt ends 4 inches below top. You can use old grate or expanded metal mesh supported by iron rod handles for a grill

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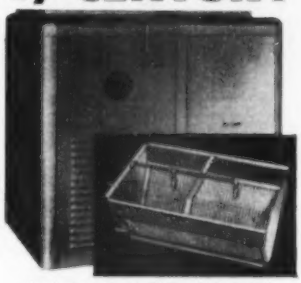

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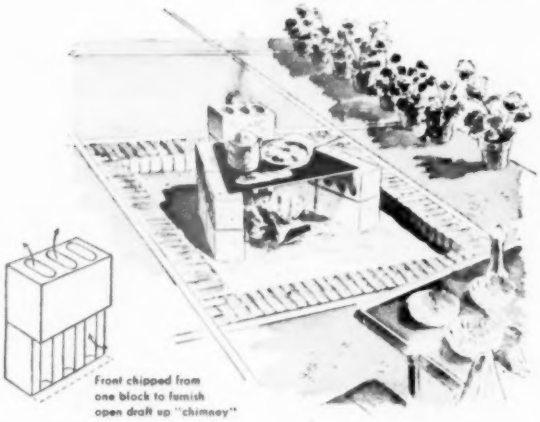
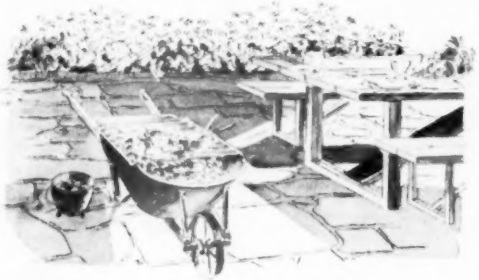


Eleven blocks. Ten whole concrete or lightweight aggregate blocks and one with a side chipped off make a firebox easy to set up on a bed of sand or gravel. Cut a sheet-iron griddle to fit flare of blocks



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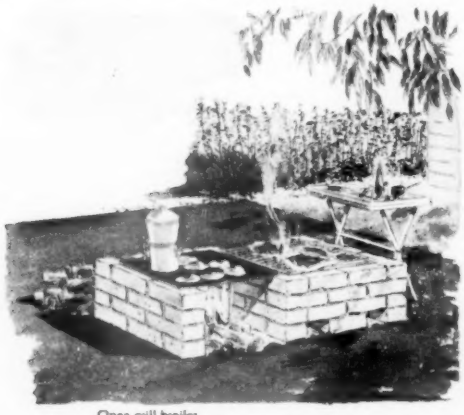

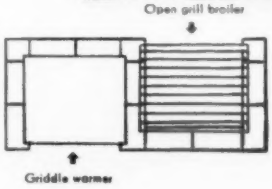

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The sweet welcoming smile as I come to her unexpectedly.

The way she kicks her feet and spreads her toes.

Her little giggle when we play "peek-a-boo."

The happy hoots and shrieks with which she welcomes the morning.

The soft smoothness of the skin all over her little body.

The way she kicks and splashes in the bathtub.

The way her eyes gleam when she sees her bottle.

The way she leans against me when she is tired.

The complete trust she has in me. Help me never to unknowingly betray it.

Help me to be a good mother to her, to keep her healthy and happy, to teach her wisely and well.

Let me always be there when she needs me, but give me the courage to make her able to stand alone.

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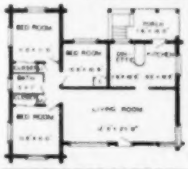

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Tips on table setting

Q *How far from the edge of the table should you place silverware, plates, napkins?*
A Line them up evenly 1 inch from the table's edge. Less danger of being brushed off that way, and gives a neat look.

Q *In what order do you place knives, forks, spoons?*
A Lay your silver in the order it will be used. Always put the pieces you're going to use first on the outside. Knives and spoons go to the right of the plate—soup spoon to right of other spoons. Turn the sharp edge of the knife toward the plate in readiness for cutting. Place forks on the left with the exception of the cocktail fork. Put it at the extreme right of spoons or on the plate holding cocktail service. Salad fork goes to right of dinner fork unless salad's an appetizer.

Q *Where do beverage glasses go?*
A Put the water glass just above tip of knife. When you have a glass for milk, too, place it at the lower right of the water glass.

Q *What is the correct position for the bread-and-butter plate and butter knife?*
A Place the bread-and-butter plate to the left of the dinner plate, directly above the forks. You have three choices on where to place butter spreader on bread-and-butter plate: across top, parallel to edge of table; across right side, straight up and down like rest of silverware; or across right side at a slant.

Q *When salad's served with the main course, where do you place the plate?*
A Put salad plate to the left of the place setting, a little below and to the left of the bread-and-butter plate. New, half-moon salad plates fit around top of dinner plate between the bread-and-butter plate and water glass.

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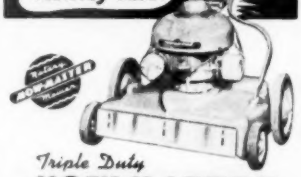

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Here are 10 companions for the Big Five

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Candytuft. Buy seeds of white or mixed colors. Mixed seeds include rose, salmon, coral, lilac, and crimson. Heads of tiny flowers are like elongated thimbles, some like miniature umbrellas. Sow several times for all-season cutting. Exquisite arranged alone in silver.

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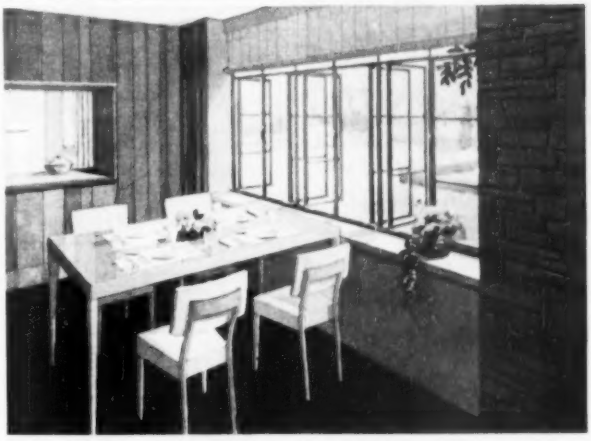
Gilia, Blue. This is the dainty thimble flower, blue as the bluest skies. Flowers can be used fresh or dried.

Gypsophila. Annual babysbreath. Invaluable for an airy touch to bold flowers. Comes in a pale rose color as well as white, but the white form is most useful. Sprays can be cut with 18-inch stems.

Nasturtiums. Like each of the Big Five, nasturtiums come in many colors and many sizes. Varieties belonging to the fragrant Gleam group are especially showy because their flowers are double or semidouble. Do not plant in highly enriched soil or you'll get a superabundance of leaves.

Nicotiana, Dwarf. Grow these for the sake of their fragrance, and clusters of star-faced, tubular flowers. Come in white, rose, and dusky crimson. Crimson Bedder hangs from lower right of bouquet pictured page 73.

Sweetpeas. Unbeatable favorites as cut flowers. Need early planting, plenty of water and mulch about their lower stems. Go over vines at least every other day so that no seed pods have a chance to form unnoted. Seedmaking quickly puts an end to bloom. Select colors wanted from a strain such as the Cuthbertson if you will be growing them where the summers are hot. Buy an envelope of a special nitrogen inoculant, and dust seeds before planting.



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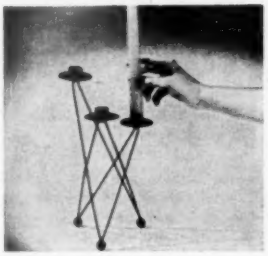
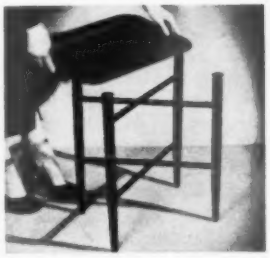


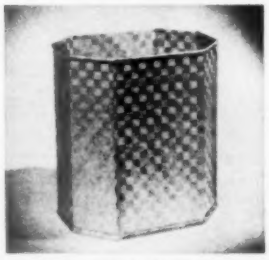
Slender as a shadow are the lines of this matte-black iron candleholder. Holds three candles at different heights. Decorative on the mantel, sideboard, or as a table centerpiece. *Bisharat Candelabra*, $5, each; $9, pair, ppd. Victor Bisharat & Associates, 2223 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, Calif.

Old automobile designs are reproduced in color on a husky Gay Nineties shaving mug. Pedestal, handle, and rim are trimmed in 22-karat gold. Mug stands 4" high. If you don't shave, serve cigarettes in it, stand up your collection of pencils, or show it off with a plant. *Old Auto Shave Mug*, $2 each, $3.75 pair, ppd. Green Gable Gifts, Box 44, Gracie Station, New York 28, N.Y.

Glamorous leather bracelet for the youngsters has a money bag for carfare and lunch money. Purse holds up to a 50c piece, is hard to lose when strapped to the wrist. Sturdy leather with chrome buckle. *Wrist Purse*, 75c, ppd. Treasure Mart, 545 Fifth Ave., New York 17, N.Y.



Here's the basis for any number of clever table arrangements. Make your own top which can be a decorated piece of heavy board, an antique or silver tray, a slab of marble. The legs have suction cups to grip the table top and hold it securely. Ebony-finish legs with gold trim stand about 17½" high. *Tray Stand*, $6.95, ppd. Ward Phillips Co., 9 East Main St., Dundee, Ill.



No rusting or corroding from moisture, so this all-aluminum wastebasket can be scrubbed and sterilized. Semioctagonal shape makes it easy to fit into narrow spaces and corners. Pattern is embossed in the metal and is not affected by wear. *All-Aluminum Waste Basket*, $2.50, ppd. The Sargent Co., 1730 Eye Ave., Northeast, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Cat clock keeps its eye on everything, especially when put up in a small child's room. Eyes swing back and forth as tail pendulum wigwags. Electric kitty is durable, washable plastic in black, yellow, blue, pink, or red. *Kit Cat Klock*, $16.75, ppd. Evelyn Reed, 538 Madison Ave., New York 22, N.Y.

Miniature little shoe about 3½" long is a decorative and unusual individual ash tray. Solid brass shoe with the cigarette rest at the heel is enameled in brilliant patterns, handmade in Moradabad, India, by metal craftsmen. *Slipper Ash Tray*, $1.15, ppd. Mumtaz India Shop, 17 Palmer House Arcade, Chicago 3, Ill.

Dripping bath toys find a snug harbor in terry-cloth dry dock. Pockets fit over an ordinary wire hanger and can be put up on nail or towel rack near the tub. Keeps toys near the scene of action but stored out of the way. White with blue trim or canary with green trim. *Tubtoy Tender*, $2.98, ppd. Senti-Metal Co., 274 East Capital St., Columbus 15, Ohio.

"I'll drive you crazy" it says in big blue letters on the side of this blow-up plastic ball, and it's not kidding. Weighted ball goes in every direction except the one you expect (try to catch it!), does tricks, is full of surprises. Red, white, and blue, 10" *Goofy Ball*, $1.25, ppd. Reiss Bros., 54 East 59th St., New York 22, N.Y.

Inscribed miniature wedding bells tell the news of an engagement. Or you may want to send them to newlyweds as a novel remembrance of the day. White ceramic bells, 2" high, blue ribbon and blue inscription of two names and date, can also be put to practical use as salt and pepper shakers. *Wedding-bell Salt and Pepper*, $1, ppd. Stratton Snow, Box 1898D, Delray Beach, Fla.

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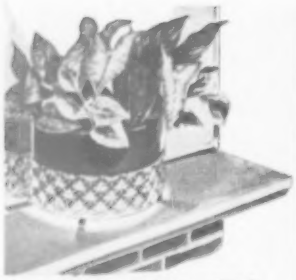

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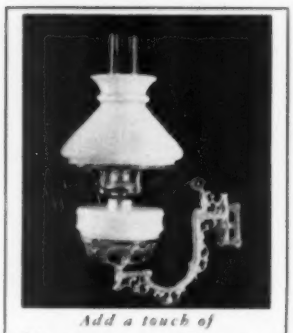

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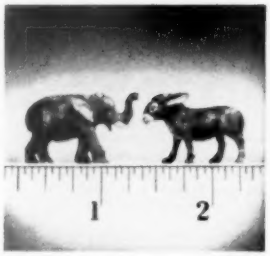
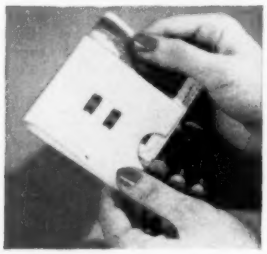
It's election year again, and here are your Republican elephant and Democratic donkey. They're hand-carved bone by Oriental craftsmen. Accurate to the tiniest detail, yet each animal is but thumbnail size. *Elephant or Donkey*, $1, each, ppd. Moroccan Art Center, 30 Rockefeller Center, New York 20, N.Y.



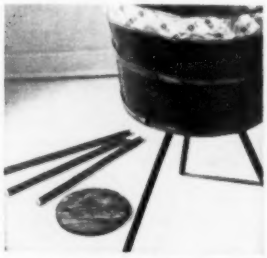
Eyes roll, tongue waggles, and ears stand on end when youngster prances about in his *Hop Cap*. Button eyes rattle in their sockets; ears can be relaxed or pinched up on the alert. Made of corduroy in red, green, brown, or blue, in small, medium, and large sizes, with adjustable elastic band. *Hop Cap*, $2.25, ppd. The Beachcomber Shop, 811 Coast Highway, Newport Beach, Calif.

Wedge-shaped, plastic case holds a roll of bills flat and smooth, slips into pocket or purse. To "peel off" a bill, pull it out through thumb slot. Insert bills at side (as illustrated). Holder is lightweight plastic in blue, black, green, red, or yellow. Two or three initials in chrome. *Bill Holder*, $1.50, ppd. G. H. Products Co., 629 Cambridge Ave., Dayton 7, Ohio.

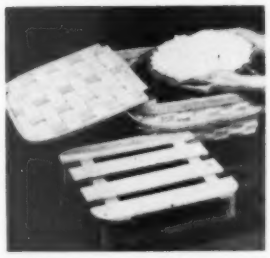


Early American wall "furniture" for your lived-in kitchen keeps company with such traditional kitchen decorations as your copper and your bright geraniums. These two adaptations of old-time salt boxes are designed for use as a paper-towel dispenser and napkin server. Handmade of heavy Salem pine. *Towel Dispenser*, $4.50, ppd; *Napkin Dispenser*, $4, ppd. The Old Curiosity Shop, 54 St. George St., St. Augustine, Fla.

Set of legs hold a bushel basket at just the right height for use in laundry. A plate attaches to the bottom of the basket and three tripod legs fasten into place. Simple to assemble. With legs on basket, clothes are up where they're easier to hang; handy to reach while ironing; and in washing serves as a catch basket under the wringer. *Laundry Legs* (without basket), $1, ppd. L. B. Robison Co., Newton, Iowa.



Sugar-maple, miniature Captain's chair and footstool decorate this Early American-style lamp. All wood parts are made by hand, and the chair and stool are not attached to the base, so they can be picked up and admired. Three-way lamp is 18" high; shade in either red or green background. *Captain's Chair Lamp*, $9.95, ppd. Jeff Elliot Craftsmen, Elizabeth City, N. C.



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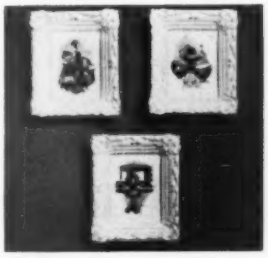
Bowl cleaner works automatically every time you flush the toilet. Keeps bowl always sparkling, eliminates scrubbing and scouring. Cleaner in a glass container hangs out of sight inside the tank, where a measured amount is drawn into the tank water with each flushing. *Self-O-Lit*, $3.95, ppd. Kinnard, Inc., 100 Quarry Road, Little Falls, N. J.



Here are three of the dozen "Wee Musicians," which, according to legend, bring happiness and prosperity when they appear in a home. Musicians play: tuba, violin, banjo, xylophone, kettledrums, bass fiddle, accordion, French horn, flute, harp, piano, singer. The color prints are mounted in white Louis XV frames, are 4"x4½". *Wee Musicians*, $1 each, ppd. The Studio Shoppe, Box 114G, Forest Hills, N.Y.

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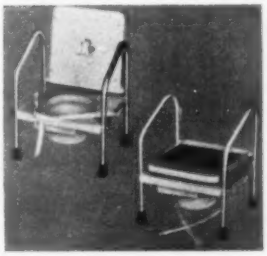
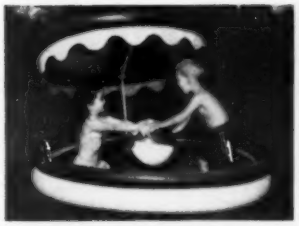


Save space in the bathroom with a child's toilet trainer that can be also used as a youngster's step-up stool. Just fold down the back rest of the trainer and you have a rubber-treaded step. Arms are of aluminum, wood portions are enameled in color, and the training pot is plastic. *Kiddie Trainer*, white, pink, or blue, $5.98, ppd. Randel Juvenile Corp., 1123 Broadway, New York 10, N.Y.



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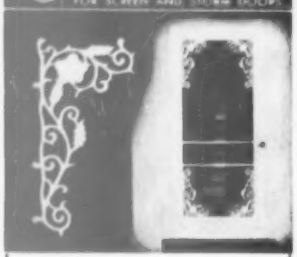

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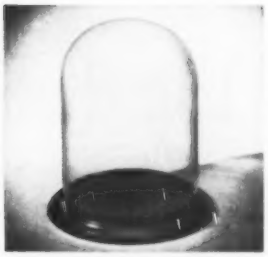

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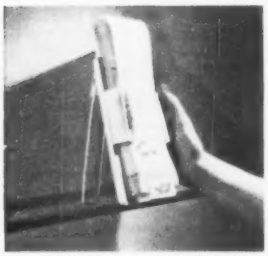

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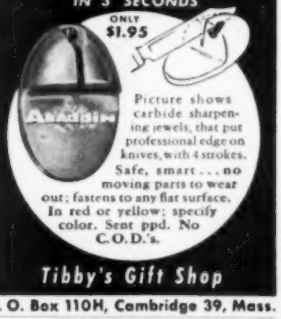

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Contest for cooks

Prizes for favorite Christmas cookies, midwinter salads

New recipe contest offers $70 for recipes of favorite Christmas Cookies or Midwinter Salads. Cook-of-the-Month will be mailed $10. Twenty other winners will receive $3 each. Eight of the winning recipes will be pictured in Cooks' Round Table next December.

Favorite Christmas Cookies. We want all those gaily decorated goodies that you make just for this special season. Do you decorate them with brightly tinted frosting, little candies, colored sugars, or plump nut halves? Send us your decorating secrets.

Undecorated cookies may be your holiday favorite, too. Is an extra-good, raisin-filled cooky or chocolate bar or date square your best? Or do you make rich cookies with a cooky press to wrap in festive cellophane for gifts?

Could be your family's choice is a refrigerator cooky that you bake as needed during the holidays. Or could be a quick macaroon or easy-to-mix drop cooky. Might be cooky kisses or dainty rolled miniatures.

Perhaps your best Christmas cooky is special because of its delicious orange, cranberry, or cherry flavor. Maybe the secret is chocolate pieces, candied fruits, coconut, or mixed spice. Or is it a recipe for a foreign or old-time cooky?

Midwinter Salads. Whether you make them of fruits or crisp vegetables, chances are you have a stand-by midwinter salad that's tops with your family and just right for Christmas entertaining.

Could be you make a molded salad way ahead to save last-minute preparation time. Or a quick tossed salad of shredded cabbage and grated carrots. Or a hearty, main-dish salad made from leftover holiday ham or turkey.

Is a jellied cranberry, grapefruit, or avocado salad your best? Perhaps you arrange orange slices, stuffed prunes, or pickled peaches for an easy salad.

We want to know Christmas and holiday salad fixings. Whether it's a special dressing, flavorful marinade, a garnish, or way of arranging, we would like to hear about it.

And remember, the winners of these 21 prizes will receive the *Better Homes & Gardens* Certificate of Endorsement and *six copies of the endorsed recipe.*

1. Write your recipe clearly on one side of the paper. Send but one recipe at a time and mark it, "December Favorite Christmas Cookies" or "December Midwinter Salads."
2. Print your full name and address clearly in upper right corner of recipe page.
3. Give measurements in *level* cups, tablespoons, and teaspoons, never in heaping or scant measurements.
4. Be sure to specify in your recipe the brand names of the *nationally* known food products you use as ingredients—products available everywhere. We must know them so we can test your recipe with the same brands you use.
5. Include 50 to 100 words about the history or origin of your recipe.
6. All recipes submitted become the property of *Better Homes & Gardens.*
7. Entries must be postmarked by midnight, May 31.
8. Address the recipes you enter to 5405 Tasting-Test Kitchen, *Better Homes & Gardens,* Des Moines 3, Iowa.

This month's winners

Cook-of-the-Month is Mrs. W. R. Low. Her Sugar-crusted Muffins are rolled in cinnamon and sugar for a doughnut-like finish.

Orange Swirls are the winning quick bread of Mrs. H. C. Harpster. Biscuits bake with a delicious orange sauce. Mrs. Paul E. Jackson's Bacon-bits Corn Bread is ideal for a breakfast treat.

For an easy fruit bread, try Mrs. Virgel Peper's Fruit-Nut Loaf.

Corned-beef Pie takes top honors for canned-meat recipes. Mrs. W. F. Beltz uses corned-beef hash to make a meat crust; then fills it with green Lima beans.

Mrs. J. E. Hopkins' Chicken Upside-down Pie has a flaky biscuit topping over chicken a la king. Canned luncheon meat makes Mrs. A. R. Calhoun, Jr.'s Cantonese-style Rice a family favorite.

Like chili con carne? Then try Mrs. N. R. Day's Quick Mexican Dinner. You combine the chili with tamales and cheese for a real south-of-the-border meal.

Recipes are on pages 93 and 94.

Honor Roll

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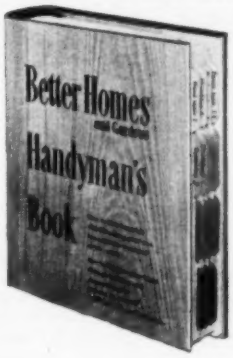

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THE MAN NEXT DOOR

Neighbor Ned Preston erected a $200 "play gym" in his yard, and kids for blocks around came to admire it. But I tossed some old boxes, tires, ropes, and barrels out our back, and kids have been playing hilariously over here for 10 days.

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"The really smart girl can refuse a kiss," Grandma Hillis suggested, coaching some teen-agers, "without being deprived of it."

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But it is a hard month to do efficient worrying. I just can't seem to concentrate on politics, taxes, and inflation while relaxed in my hammock looking at our flowers.

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Personal experience, plus conversation heard at the club, convinces me that no wife has ever yet taught a husband how to tuck clean sheets onto a bed to her complete satisfaction.

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That handsome high-school lad, Eddie Shaeffer, suddenly gave up mechanics and started writing poetry two weeks ago, just after our Rosemary generously praised his skill at rebuilding a jalopy.

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Last Sunday Grandma Hillis gathered all her children and grandchildren at her house, fed us fried chicken, and dosed us with a spring tonic of sulfur and molasses, as of yore. Socialized medicine!

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If you want to confound the business associate or church worker who promises to do big things tomorrow, ask what he did yesterday.

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A scientist on our TV announced that a beetle can lift 400 times its own weight. "What kind of breakfast food does a beetle eat?" demanded our 12-year-old Burton, Jr.

Man, who is supposed to have both brains and muscles, too often just has a muscle-bound brain.

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A bulldog isn't necessarily the thing that hangs on with the greatest tenacity. Have you ever tried to unstick a zipper?

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A live pet bunny for Easter was certainly a cute thing. But friends, time has passed. And I've been wondering just what does a middle-class family on an average-size lot do with *a herd* of pet rabbits?

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"One thing that would lift the morale of this country," growled Bill Norman, returning from the grocery, "is a cheap substitute for food."

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Our 10-year-old Dumpling—who hates that nickname—wanted cowboy boots and an evening gown for Christmas. Now she demands a talking doll and a shotgun if she graduates from fourth grade.

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My family holds that May is a month for merriment, due to renewed energies. But at my age I am disinclined to crowd a whole season's square dancing, tennis playing, picnicking, flower gardening, and vacation planning into it, just because the sun's out.

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I find it increasingly hard to be sophisticated. Every time I start trying it, I get to laughing at some fellow who thinks he already is.

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Last evening as I settled down to read, my Christine screamed that she "thought" her engagement ring had slipped down our long-sluggish kitchen drain. She stood by fretting while I did a thorough plumbing job, then "found" the ring in the soap dish.

"College life," says our high-schooler, reading of the perennial sports scandals, "seems to be of greater value to the bookies than to the bookworms."

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If he had only eaten the proper cereal, used the correct toothpaste, and slept on the approved mattress, there's no telling *how* long Methuselah might have lived.

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"My wife isn't a finished soprano yet," says long-suffering Ned Preston, the insurance man, "but the neighbors are working on it."

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"Why should we worry about getting old?" asks Grandpa. "When we stop getting older, we're dead."

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There is no genuine sorrow unless borne alone, no genuine happiness that is not shared.

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Yes, it's nice that my wife and I have so much in common. But it would be a lot more convenient if she couldn't wear my glasses. Or if she would leave hers where I can find them when needed.

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There's some question in my mind as to whether the orthodontists, the cosmeticians, the dress designers, or the landscape artists have done most to make America beautiful.

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There's family happiness when: Each member feels free to voice criticism; and to ignore it . . . in-laws move in often; and move out often . . . everybody else will voluntarily clear out when sister has a beau in the living room . . . kids and kittens pile into bed with parents at dawn . . . Dad laughs merrily at a prank by the 10-year-old . . . Mom laughs heartily at a prank by Dad.

Burton Hillis

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